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ISSUANCE OF WASTE DISCHARGE AND PRODUCER/USER WATER RECYCLING REQUIREMENTS FOR INLAND EMPIRE UTILITIES AGENCY -- REGIONAL WATER RECYCLING PLANT NO. 5, ORDER NO. R8-2003-0003, NPDES NO. CA8000402

#### Ladies and Gentlemen:

Enclosed is a copy of tentative Order No. R8-2003-0003, No. CA8000402 for your review and comments. The tentative Order includes requirements for the discharge of tertiary treated wastewater from IEUA's Regional Water Recycling Plant No.5 into Reach 1 of Chino Creek, a tributary of the Santa Ana River, Reach 3.

This Order is scheduled for consideration by the Regional Board on July 1, 2003. The Board meeting will be held at the City Council Chambers of Loma Linda (25541 Barton Road, Loma Linda). Although all comments that are provided up to and during the public hearing on this matter will be considered, receipt of comments by June 9, 2003 would be appreciated so that they can be used in the formulation of the final draft requirements that will be transmitted to the Board two weeks prior to the hearing. The final draft requirements may contain changes resulting from comments received from you and others. To view and/or download a copy of the final draft requirements, please access our website at http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/rwqcb8 on or after June 16, 2003.

If you have any questions, please contact Jun Martirez at (909) 782-3258 or Jane Qiu at (909) 320-2008.

Sincerely,

Joanne E. Schneider

Environmental Program Manager

Tentative Order No. R8-2003-0003, Fact Sheet, Monitoring and Reporting Program, Notice of Public Enclosures:

Hearing, and Statement of Posting Notice

California Environmental Protection Agency



California Regional Water Quality Control Board Santa Ana Region 3737 Main Street, Suite 500 Riverside, CA 92501-3348

#### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

for

WASTE DISCHARGE AND PRODUCER/USER WATER RECYCLING REQUIREMENTS (National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit)
ORDER NO. R8-2003-0003 (NPDES NO. CA8000402)

for

Inland Empire Utilities Agency Regional Water Recycling Plant No. 5 Chino, San Bernardino County

On the basis of preliminary staff review and application of lawful standards and regulations, the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Santa Ana Region, proposes to issue waste discharge and producer/user water recycling requirements for the Inland Empire Utilities Agency's discharge of tertiary treated wastewater from the Regional Water Recycling Plant No. 5 into Reach 1 of Chino Creek, a tributary to Reach 3 of the Santa Ana River.

The Board is seeking comments concerning the proposed waste discharge requirements and the potential effects of the discharge on the water quality and beneficial uses of the affected receiving waters.

The Board will hold a public hearing to consider adoption of the proposed waste discharge requirements as follows:

DATE: July 1, 2003 TIME: 9:00 a.m.

PLACE: City Council Chambers of Loma Linda

25541 Barton Road City of Loma Linda, CA

Interested persons are invited to submit written comments on the proposed Order No. R8-2003-0003. Interested persons are also invited to attend and express their views on issues relating to the proposed Order. Oral statements will be heard, but should be brief to allow all interested persons time to be heard. For the accuracy of the record, all testimony (oral statements) should be submitted in writing.

Although all comments that are provided up to and during the public hearing on this matter will be considered, receipt of comments by <u>June 9, 2003</u> would be appreciated so that they can be used in the formulation of the final draft requirements that will be transmitted to the Board two weeks prior to the hearing. The final draft requirements may contain changes resulting from comments received from you and others. To view and/or download a copy of the final draft requirements, please access our website at <a href="http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/rwqcb8">http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/rwqcb8</a> on or after <a href="June 16, 2003">June 16, 2003</a>.

The Board's proposed Order, related documents, and all comments and petitions received may be inspected and copied at the **Regional Board office**, 3737 **Main Street**, **Suite 500**, **Riverside**, **CA 92501-3348** ((909) 782-4130) by appointment scheduled between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Copies of the proposed Order will be mailed to interested persons upon request to *Jane Qiu* (909) 320-2008.

Any person who is physically handicapped and requires special accommodation to participate in this Regional Board Meeting should contact *Barbara Laffoon at (909) 782-3285* no later than *June 13, 2003*. Please bring the foregoing to the attention of any person known to you who would be interested in this matter.

July 1, 2003

### **STAFF REPORT**

### ITEM:

#### **SUBJECT:**

Waste Discharge and Producer/User Water Recycling Requirements for the Inland Empire Utilities Agency's Regional Recycling Plant No. 5, Chino, San Bernardino County, Order No. R8-2003-0003, NPDES No. CA8000402

#### **DISCUSSION:**

See Attached Fact Sheet

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

Adopt Order No. R8-2003-0003, NPDES No. CA8000402, as presented

Comments were solicited from the following agencies:

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# California Regional Water Quality Control Board Santa Ana Region 3737 Main Street, Suite 500 Riverside, CA 92501-3348

#### **FACT SHEET**

July 1, 2003

The attached pages contain information concerning waste discharge and producer/user water recycling requirements and a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit.

# **FACILITY DESCRIPTION:**

On October 15, 2002, Inland Empire Utilities Agency (IEUA) submitted a Report of Waste Discharge and a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit application for the IEUA Regional Water Recycling Plant No. 5 (RP-5). RP-5 will replace IEUA's Regional Plant No. 2 (RP-2).

RP-2 is an existing municipal wastewater treatment plant that treats domestic and commercial/industrial wastewater from the Cities of Chino and Chino Hills. RP-2 is currently regulated under Waste Discharge Requirements (WDR) Order No. 01-2, NPDES No. CA0105287 and Cease and Desist Order (CDO) No. 01-5, which were issued on January 19, 2001. CDO No. 01-5 required IEUA to:

- 1. Provide flood protection for the RP-2 facilities by December 1, 2003 by relocating the liquid treatment facilities at RP-2 to a site not subject to flooding.
- 2. Properly operate and maintain the interim flood control facilities and fully implement IEUA's interim flood control plan.

To comply with the CDO, the discharger opted to construct RP-5. RP-5 is currently under construction and is scheduled to begin operation in November 2003. RP-5 is located at 6063 Kimball Avenue, Chino, San Bernardino County (shown in Attachment "A" of this fact sheet).

The RP-5 facility is designed to treat 15 million gallons per day (mgd) of wastewater with recycle flows. Once completed, RP-5 will start receiving and treating approximately 3.5 mgd of domestic and commercial/industrial wastewater flow (wastewater currently received and treated at RP-2). Up to 8 mgd of waste flows from IEUA's Carbon Canyon Water Recycling Facility (CCWRF) and/or RP-1 plant can be diverted into RP-5. With the possible flow diversion from CCWRF and/or RP-1, the RP-5 wastewater service area will cover the Cities of Chino, Chino Hills, and part of Ontario, Montclair, and Upland. Recycled flows from sludge treatment at RP-2 will be channeled to the influent of RP-5 for treatment and disposal. The liquid treatment process at RP-5 consists of the following:

- 1. Primary treatment: a 20 mgd influent headworks, mechanical bar screens, a grit chamber, a 17-millon gallons emergency storage basin;
- 2. Secondary treatment: aeration basin, secondary clarification;

3. Tertiary treatment: flocculation, filtration, chlorination and dechlorination.

The tertiary treated effluent will be discharged to Reach 1 of Chino Creek. The discharge outfall is at latitude 33<sup>0</sup>57'44", and longitude 117<sup>0</sup>40'41". Chino Creek is tributary to Reach 3 of the Santa Ana River. A portion of the treated wastewater will be used for landscape irrigation at the Chino Creek Park.

Sludge and solids at RP-5 will be pumped and treated at the RP-2 facility. Filtrate from sludge dewatering and recycle flows will be pumped back to the RP-5 headworks. Solids treatment includes gravity thickeners and dissolved air flotation thickeners, anaerobic digestion, digester gas utilization, and belt press dewatering. Dewatered sludge is hauled away for offsite disposal. This Order covers the solids treatment process located at the current RP-2 site.

No new industrial connections for the RP-5 service area are anticipated in the near future. Currently, there are no Significant Industries that discharge into RP-2. The flows from the industries located in the southern service area are either treated at CCWRF, or discharged to the Santa Ana Regional Interceptor (SARI) line. Because there are neither significant industrial users, nor categorical industrial users in the RP-5 service area, no pretreatment requirements are specified in this Order. However, industrial connections may be established at a future date, and IEUA has the capability of diverting flows to the proposed RP-5 from CCWRP and/or RP-1. In situations where flows are diverted from CCWRP and/or RP-1, IEUA's existing pretreatment program must cover the entire service area of RP-5.

IEUA filed a Notice of Determination on June 16, 1999 in compliance with California Environmental Quality Act (Section 21108 or 21152 of the Public Resources Code).

Attachment B shows the location of outfall.

Attachment C shows the process flow schematics for the liquid treatment facilities at RP-5 and solids treatment facilities at RP-2.

### B. WATER SUPPLY SOURCE AND QUALITY:

IEUA provides service to cities that use various water supply sources with varying mineral constituent concentrations. Sources include State Project Water, groundwater, IEUA desalter product water, or some combination of these sources.

Table I shows water supply sources for each city:

Table I – Water Supply Sources <sup>1</sup>					
Source	Chino	Chino Hills	Montclair	Ontario	Upland
Local Ground Water Wells <sup>2</sup>	38%	21%	-	79%	24%
Groundwater wells in California Institute for Men	3%	-	-	-	-
Lake Silverwood	40%	39%	24%	21%	33%
Desalted Water	19%	12%	-	-	-
Monte Vista Wells	-	28%	76%	-	-
San Antonio Water Company	-	-	-	0%	31%
San Antonio Canyon Water Treatment Plant	-	-	-	-	3%
West End Well Water	-	-	-	-	9%

Table II shows the average water supply quality in the IEUA service area.

Table II -Source Water Constituent Concentrations <sup>3</sup> and Flow			
Constituents	Flow Weighted Average, mg/l		
Boron	< 0.1		
Chloride	35		
Nitrate, as NO <sub>3</sub>	13		
рН	7.7		
Specific conductance	417		
Sodium	32		
Sulfate	27		
TDS	245		
Total Hardness	143		
Flow	17,581 acre-feet		

Data is based on flow weighted average concentrations from January through December 2002.

Some of the groundwater subbasins where extraction wells are located are recharged with State Project water.

Data is based on flow weighted average concentrations from January through December 2002.

# **C. STORMWATER MANAGEMENT:**

All stormwater from the RP-5 site will be channeled into the onsite emergency overflow pond located in the northwest corner of the plant and will be contained within the site. The capacity of the onsite emergency overflow pond is approximately 17 millions gallons. The emergency storage pond will be unlined, however, the slopes will be hydro seeded from the bottom to the rim. The accumulated stormwater will be pumped to the headworks of the treatment plant. As there is no stormwater runoff from the site into surface waters, no stormwater requirements or monitoring are specified in this Order.

## **D.** REGULATORY BASIS FOR WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS:

This Order includes requirements that implement the Water Quality Control Plan (Basin Plan), which was adopted by the Regional Board on March 11, 1994. The Basin Plan was approved by the Office of Administrative Law and became effective on January 24, 1995. This Plan specifies water quality objectives and beneficial uses for the waters of the Santa Ana Region.

The proposed RP-5 will discharge tertiary treated wastewater to Chino Creek, Reach 1, which joins the Santa Ana River, Reach 3, in the Prado Dam area. The beneficial uses of Reach 1 of Chino Creek and Reach 3 of the Santa Ana River include agricultural supply, groundwater recharge, water contact recreation, non-contact water recreation, warm freshwater habitat, wildlife habitat and rare, threatened or endangered species. The discharge points overlie the Chino III Groundwater Subbasin, the beneficial uses of which include municipal and domestic supply, agricultural supply, industrial service supply, and industrial process supply. Receiving waters that may be affected by the discharge include the downgradient groundwater subbasins in Orange County, which are used for municipal and domestic supply and other uses.

Except during storms, the flow in the Santa Ana River, Reach 3, is comprised of effluent discharges from municipal wastewater treatment facilities and very little natural flow exists. Therefore, Reach 3 is an effluent dominated water body (EDW).

Article 3, Section 60305 of Title 22, Division 4, Chapter 3, "Water Recycling Criteria" of the California Code of Regulations specifies that recycled water used as a source supply for non-restricted recreational impoundments shall be disinfected tertiary recycled water that has been subjected to conventional treatment. Section 60305 also provides that disinfected tertiary recycled water that has not received conventional treatment may be used for non-restricted recreational impoundments provided that the recycled water is monitored for the presence of pathogenic organisms in accordance with certain conditions. The degree of treatment specified represents an approximately 5-log reduction in the virus content of the water. The State Department of Health Services (DHS) has determined that this degree of virus removal is necessary to protect the health of people using these impoundments for water contact recreation. The DHS has developed wastewater disinfection guidelines ("Wastewater Disinfection for Health Protection", DHS, Sanitary Engineering Branch, February 1987) for discharges of wastewater to surface waters where water contact recreation (REC-1) is a beneficial use. The disinfection guidelines recommend the same treatment requirements for wastewater discharges to

REC-1 waters as those stipulated in Title 22 for supply of recycled water to non-restricted recreational impoundments, since the public health risks under both scenarios are analogous. The disinfection guidelines are based on sound science and are widely used as guidance to assure public health and beneficial use protection.

The Santa Ana River is not a "non-restricted recreational impoundment," nor is "disinfected tertiary recycled water" (as defined in the Water Recycling Criteria) being used as a supply source for the River. However, except during major storms, most of the flow in the River is composed of treated municipal wastewater discharges. The River is used for water contact recreation and, accordingly, is designated REC-1 (water contact beneficial use). People recreating in the River face an exposure similar to those coming in contact with recycled water in an impoundment. Therefore, to protect the water contact recreation beneficial use and to prevent nuisance and health risk, it is necessary and appropriate to require the same degree of treatment for wastewater discharges to the River as would be required for the use of recycled water in a non-restricted recreational impoundment. Thus, this Order specifies requirements based on tertiary or equivalent treatment.

The discharger proposes to discharge secondary treated and disinfected wastewater to Chino Creek and thence Reach 3 of Santa Ana River when 20:1 dilution of the wastewater can be provided by the natural flow of the Creek at the point of discharge. The DHS has determined that public health and water contact recreation beneficial uses will be protected provided that at least 20:1 dilution of secondary treated and disinfected wastewater by natural receiving waters is achieved (Wastewater Disinfection for Health Protection", DHS, Sanitary Engineering Branch, February 1987). Based on best professional judgement, the proposed Order implements these public health protection guidelines.

The Basin Plan includes wasteload allocations for total dissolved solids (TDS) and total inorganic nitrogen<sup>4</sup> (TIN) for the upper Santa Ana River dischargers, including IEUA. These allocations were established to assure compliance with the TDS and TIN objectives for the Santa Ana River. The wasteload allocations are implemented through effluent limitations specified in waste discharge requirements, including Order No. 01-2, NPDES No. CA0105287, for IEUA's discharges from RP-2. Revised wasteload allocations for IEUA discharges from its treatment facilities, including RP-5, are being considered as part of a watershed-wide Nitrogen/TDS study being conducted by a consortium of agencies known as the Nitrogen/TDS Task Force (including water supply and wastewater management agencies such as IEUA, the Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority, and the Regional Board). For discharges from RP-5, the revised allocations will recognize the need to assure compliance with the Basin Plan objectives for Reach 1 of Chino Creek, as well as the Santa Ana River. For Chino Creek, Reach 1, the TDS objective is 550 mg/l and the TIN objective is 8 mg/l.

The proposed Order specifies numeric and narrative limits for the control of toxic substances. These limits are based on the following:

1. 1995 Basin Plan;

Total Inorganic Nitrogen (TIN) is the sum of the nitrate-N, nitrite-N and ammonia-N.

- 2. Policy for Implementation of Toxics Standards for Inland Surface Waters, Enclosed Bays, and Estuaries of California adopted on March 2, 2000 by the State Water Resources Control Board (hereinafter, "Policy");
- 3. Code of Federal Regulations (40 CFR Parts 122-124, 129, 131, 136, 141-142 and 503);
- 4. Technical Support Document for Water Quality-based Toxics Control (EPA/505/2-90-001, March 1991);
- 5. Water Quality Standards; Establishment of Numeric Criteria for Priority Toxic Pollutants for the State of California, promulgated in May 18, 2000 by the U.S. EPA;
- 6. Santa Ana River Use-Attainability Analysis, Volume 10, Calculation of Total-to-Dissolved Metal Ratios to Translate Site-Specific Water Quality Objectives into NPDES Effluent Limits", Risk Sciences (May, 1994);
- 7. Water Quality Criterion for the Protection of Human Health: Methylmercury EPA-823-R-01-001, January 2001.

The State Water Resources Control Board adopted the Policy for Implementation of Toxics Standards for Inland Surface Waters, Enclosed Bays, and Estuaries of California (Policy) on March 2, 2000. This Policy establishes implementation provisions for priority pollutant criteria promulgated by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) through the National Toxics Rule (NTR) (promulgated on December 22, 1992 and amended on May 4, 1995) and through the California Toxics Rule (CTR) (promulgated on May 18, 2000).

This Order implements federal regulations specified in 40 CFR 122, 123, 124, 125, and 129 which pertain to all publicly-owned treatment works (POTW) with average design flows exceeding 1 mgd.

# **E.** PROPOSED EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS:

The limitations in this Order are intended to control pollutants in the waste discharge, maintain water quality, and protect the beneficial uses of the affected receiving waters. Revisions to water quality objectives or to beneficial uses designated in the Basin Plan may occur in the course of periodic review and update of the Plan. These waste discharge requirements will be re-evaluated and may be revised to accommodate any of these changes.

In determining compliance with the effluent limitations in this Order, no mixing zone allowance is provided. No mixing zone allowance is proposed since there are essentially no natural receiving waters at the points of discharge.

# Biochemical Oxygen Demand (BOD) and Suspended Solids

The proposed Biochemical Oxygen Demand (BOD) and suspended solids limits are based on values that are achievable with tertiary treatment. These limits are intended to ensure that only adequately oxidized wastewater is discharged.

# Total Dissolved Solids (TDS)/Inorganic Minerals

The proposed TDS limitation (550 mg/l) for the discharge to Reach 1 of Chino Creek and Reach 3 of Santa Ana River is based on the water quality objective for Reach 1 of Chino Creek. The Order also includes a TDS limit based on the quality of the water supplied to the service area plus a reasonable use increment. The more restrictive of the two TDS limits applies to the discharges. Review of monitoring data of mineral constituents indicated that the effluent concentrations of these minerals, boron, chloride, fluoride, sodium, sulfate, and total hardness, are in consistent compliance with water quality objectives for the Santa Ana River, Reach 3, therefore, no mineral limits are specified in this Order.

The Basin Plan recognizes that strict compliance with the TDS limits may be difficult to achieve. The Basin Plan describes the regulatory approach the Regional Board uses to address such situations. The Board incorporates offset provisions in waste discharge requirements whereby dischargers can participate in approved programs to offset TDS discharges in excess of specified TDS limits. Provided that the discharger implements an approved offset program, and provided that the discharger makes all reasonable efforts to improve the TDS quality of the water supply (and, thereby, the wastewater), the Board has indicated in its offset provisions its intent not to enforce violations of the TDS limits. The Board has indicated that participation in the watershedwide study of TDS and total inorganic nitrogen (TIN) which is being conducted under the auspices of a number of dischargers and other interested parties, with participation by the Regional Board and coordination by the Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority (SAWPA) will constitute an acceptable TDS offset for the duration of the study.

# Total Inorganic Nitrogen (Nitrate, Nitrite, Ammonia)

High concentrations of nitrates in domestic water can be toxic to human life. To protect human health, the concentrations of nitrates in lakes, streams, and groundwater, which are sources of drinking water, must not exceed 45 milligrams per liter (mg/l) (as NO<sub>3</sub>) or 10 mg/l (as N) as a result of controllable water quality factors.

On November 15, 1991, the Regional Board adopted a revised wasteload allocation for total inorganic nitrogen in Publicly Owned Treatment Works (POTW) discharges to the Santa Ana River and its tributaries and to groundwater in the Upper Santa Ana River Basin. The revised wasteload allocation for IEUA RP-2 specifies a limit of 13.0 mg/l for flows up to 6.7 million gallons per day (mgd); for flows in excess of 6.7 mgd, the TIN limit is 10 mg/l. As discussed above, this wasteload allocation is now being reviewed. To assure protection of Chino Creek, this Order specifies a limit of 8 mg/l TIN for RP-5 discharges.

Un-ionized ammonia exists in equilibrium with ammonium (NH<sub>4</sub>)<sup>+</sup> and hydroxide (OH)<sup>-</sup> ions in water. The concentrations of ammonium and hydroxide ions change with temperature, pH and salinity of the water. Total ammonia nitrogen wasteload allocations are specified in the Basin Plan in order to meet the Santa Ana Rover site-specific un-ionized ammonia objective. In accordance with the Basin Plan, this Order specifies an average monthly effluent limitation of 4.5 mg/l for total ammonia-nitrogen.

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IEUA, RP-5

# **Trace Constituent Limitations**

The U.S. EPA has identified 126 priority pollutants, including metals and organic chemicals, and has promulgated water quality objectives for many of these substances in the California Toxics Rule and National Toxics Rule. The State Board's Policy for Implementation of Toxics Standards for Inland Surface Waters, Enclosed Bays and Estuaries of California (Policy) specifies the procedures that are to be used in implementing these objectives in waste discharge requirements. Numeric effluent limitations must be specified for those priority pollutants that are determined to have the reasonable potential to cause or contribute to a violation of the applicable objectives. To determine reasonable potential, the maximum effluent concentrations are compared to the criteria values specified in the California Toxics Rule. If the detected concentrations are less than the objectives, it is concluded that the effluent poses no reasonable potential to exceed water quality objectives for that constituent, and numeric effluent limitations for that constituent are not required. However, periodic monitoring for such constituents is required. In situations where the criteria value and all available effluent and receiving water data are below detection limits, no reasonable potential determination could be made and again, effluent limits are not required. However, the discharger is also required to monitor these pollutants on a regular basis.

To determine reasonable potential for pollutants to exceed water quality objectives, Board staff used the procedures outlined in the State Board's Policy. Influent and effluent monitoring data for RP-2 were used in this analysis. The maximum effluent concentrations for individual constituents that were detected in the effluent were compared to the criteria values specified in the California Toxics Rule (CTR), upstream background concentration of receiving water, and water quality objective in Basin Plan, whichever is the most stringent. When monitoring data show that individual constituents were not detected, the lowest detection level (DL) is used to make such comparisons. When the detected concentrations or the lowest DL were less than the criteria, it was concluded that the effluent posed no reasonable potential to exceed water quality objectives for that constituent. For all priority pollutants for which there was no demonstrated reasonable potential to cause a water quality objective to be exceeded, no numeric limitations are specified in this Order. In situations where the criteria value and all available effluent data were below detection levels and receiving water data are unavailable, staff was unable to determine if there was a reasonable potential to cause a water quality objective to be exceeded. Therefore, effluent limits for those constituents were also not included in this Order. However, the discharger is required to monitor for these pollutants on a quarterly basis at detection levels that are specified in the Order. If warranted by the results of this monitoring, this Order will be reopened to incorporate appropriate effluent limits.

Using RP-2 data, the reasonable potential analysis showed that copper, cyanide, and selenium have the reasonable potential to exceed water quality criteria of the CTR. Following the CTR and the Policy procedures, effluent discharge limitations were developed for copper, cyanide, and selenium. Federal regulations require that the effluent limits for metals be expressed as the total recoverable form. To comply with this requirement, the dissolved criteria are translated into total recoverable effluent limits using ratios of the total recoverable metals to dissolved metals (t/d) concentrations. The State Water Resources Control Boards's Policy stipulates that in the absence of site-specific information, the conversion factors cited in the CTR should be used as the t/d translators. A site-specific translator for copper was developed in a study and reported in the "Santa Ana River Use-Attainability Analysis, Volume 10, Calculation of Total-to-Dissolved

Metal Ratios to Translate Site-Specific Water Quality Objectives into NPDES Effluent Limits", Risk Sciences (March, 1994). No dilution credit is used in the calculation.

Given the diversity of potential discharge scenarios when flows from CCWRF and/or RP-1 are diverted to RP-5, this Order addresses the reasonable potential of pollutants of concern to be present in the discharge from RP-5 by including effluent limits for those pollutants of concern that are currently limited in the waste discharge requirements for CCWRF and RP-1. Consequently, this Order includes effluent limitations for hexachlorocyclohexane-gamma (lindane), tetrachloroethylene, bis (2-ethylhexyl) phthalate, total recoverable cadmium, and total recoverable lead.

In its January 8, 2001, guidance document, the US EPA finds that a fish tissue residue water quality criterion for methylmercury (Water Quality Criterion for the Protection of Human Health: Methylmercury - EPA-823-R-01-001, January 2001) is more appropriate than a water column based water quality criterion. The EPA further states that a fish tissue residue water quality criterion is more closely tied to the Clean Water Act goal of protecting the public health because it is based directly on the human exposure route for methylmercury. Consequently, this Order specifies a receiving water limitation in fish tissue of 0.3 mg methylmercury/kg.

# **Toxicity Limitations**

This Order requires the discharger to conduct chronic<sup>5</sup> toxicity testing of the effluent on a monthly basis. The Order also requires the discharger to conduct an Initial Investigation Toxicity Reduction Evaluation (IITRE<sup>6</sup>) program when either the two-month median of toxicity test results exceeds 1 TUc or any single test exceeds 1.7 TUc for survival endpoint. Based on the results of this investigation program and at the discretion of the Executive Officer, a more rigorous Toxicity Reduction Evaluation/Toxicity Identification Evaluation (TRE/TIE) may be required. A re-opener provision is included in the Order to incorporate a chronic toxicity effluent limitation if warranted by the toxicity test results.

# Compliance

Many of the objectives specified in the CTR, and the effluent limits that implement them, are at extremely low concentrations. In several cases, these concentrations are below current laboratory detection values. As such, it is necessary to require laboratory analyses to be performed to the lowest possible concentrations. The Policy for Implementation of Toxics Standards for Inland Surface Waters, Enclosed Bays, and Estuaries of California (Policy) includes a list of priority pollutants with their respective Minimum Levels (ML)<sup>7</sup> on which "reported Minimum Levels"

The chronic test method for the water flea "Ceriodaphnia dubia" also measures acute toxicity.

An IITRE is the initial stage of investigation conducted prior to implementing a complete toxicity reduction evaluation (TRE) study. A TRE is a stepwise process for identifying the agent(s) and/or source(s) of toxicity in a given effluent.

Minimum Level is the concentration at which the entire analytical system must give a recognizable signal and acceptable calibration point. The ML is the concentration in a sample that is equivalent to the concentration of the lowest calibration standard analyzed by a specific analytical procedure, assuming that all the method specified sample weights, volumes, and processing steps have been followed.

(i.e., quantitation values for the sample) shall be based. The Policy recognizes that the "reported ML" may be orders of magnitude different than the listed MLs depending on the amount of dilution/concentration required for sample preparation, and the amount of dilution necessary to address matrix interference. Unfortunately, the policy lacks guidance for the development of appropriate "reported MLs".

The Regional Board has required discharges to meet Minimum Levels for all priority pollutants and practical quantitation levels (PQLs<sup>8</sup>) for non-priority pollutants. The PQLs for wastewater were developed based on the following:

- 1. A survey of laboratories in the Southern California area and a review of method detection levels (MDLs) in accordance with 40 CFR 136 for a wastewater matrix reported by local laboratories;
- 2. The consensus PQLs determined during the meeting of major Southern California laboratories with the Regional Board staff on January 28, 1992. The consensus PQLs are believed to represent the lowest quantitation levels that can be achieved by most laboratories in Southern California based on proven laboratory performance and the reasonable application of best available analytical technology for most toxic substances;
- 3. The report "A Study To Determine The Practical Quantitation Levels (PQL) For Selected Water Chemistry Parameters Analyzed by Commercial Laboratories Operating In The Santa Ana River Watershed" (Risk Sciences, 1993). This report recommended PQLs for cadmium, copper, lead, selenium, and silver that better represented the actual PQLs attained by analytical laboratories performing analyses for these substances in a recycled water matrix.

The discharger is required to meet the minimum levels in Attachment "A" of the Monitoring and Reporting Program (M&RP) No. R8-2003-0003 for those priority pollutants with effluent limitations in this Order. The discharger shall select and use the appropriate ML value. When there is more than one ML value for a given substance, the discharger shall select the ML value which is below the calculated effluent limitation, and use its associated analytical method, listed in Attachment "A" of the M&RP. If no ML value is below the effluent limitation, then Regional Board will select the lowest ML value and its associated analytical method. In cases where the discharger believes that the sample matrix justifies a different "reported ML", the discharger is required to demonstrate to the satisfaction of the Regional Board's Executive Officer the appropriateness of the alternative "reported ML" for that sample matrix prior.

All analytical data are required to be submitted with the corresponding MDLs and MLs. Sample results shall be reported as "DNQ" (Detected, but Not Quantified) if the results are less than the reported ML, but greater than the MDL. Sample results shall be reported as "ND" (Not Detected) if the results are less than the MDL.

PQL is the lowest concentration of a substance that can be determined within  $\pm$  20 percent of the true concentration by 75 percent of the analytical laboratories tested in a performance evaluation study. Alternatively, if performance data are not available, the PQL is the method detection limit (MDL) x 5 for carcinogens and MDL x 10 for noncarcinogens.

The discharger shall be deemed out of compliance with an effluent concentration limit if the concentration of the effluent sample is greater than the effluent limit and greater than or equal to the "reported ML." The discharger shall not be deemed out of compliance for any sample result reported as DNQ or ND. However, the discharger is required to conduct a Pollutant Minimization Program, as described in the Policy, if there is an indication that a constituent is present in the effluent above an effluent limitation and either:

A sample result is reported as DNQ and the effluent limitation is less than the "reported ML", or A sample result is reported as ND and the effluent limitation is less than the MDL.

# F. <u>ANTIDEGRADATION ANALYSIS</u>:

The Regional Board has considered antidegradation pursuant to 40 CFR 131.12 and State Board Resolution No. 68-16. The water quality of the receiving waters is not expected to degrade as a result of this discharge. Neither the constituent concentrations of the discharge nor the mass loading of pollutants associated with the discharge will adversely impact water quality or affect the beneficial uses of the receiving waters. Therefore, these waste discharge requirements are consistent with federal and state antidegradation policies.

# **WRITTEN COMMENTS:**

Interested persons are invited to submit written comments on the proposed discharge limits and the Fact Sheet. Comments should be submitted by June 9, 2003, either in person or by mail to:

Jane Qiu California Regional Water Quality Control Board Santa Ana Region 3737 Main street, Suite 500 Riverside, CA 92501-3348

# H. <u>INFORMATION AND COPYING</u>:

Persons wishing further information may write to the above address or call Jane Qiu of the Regional Board at (909) 320-2008. Copies of the application, proposed waste discharge requirements, Fact Sheet, and other documents (other than those which the Executive Officer maintains as confidential) are available at the Regional Board office for inspection and copying between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m., Monday through Friday (excluding holidays).

### **I.** REGISTER OF INTERESTED PERSONS:

Any person interested in a particular application or group of applications may leave his name, address, and phone number as part of the file for an application.

# **PUBLIC HEARING**:

The Regional Board will hold a public hearing regarding the proposed waste discharge requirements as follows:

DATE: July 1, 2003 TIME: 9:00 a.m.

PLACE: City Council Chambers of Loma Linda

25541 Barton Road Loma Linda, California

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Waste Discharge and Producer/User Water Recycling Requirements

for the

Inland Empire Utilities Agency Regional Water Recycling Plant No. 5 Chino, San Bernardino County

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The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Santa Ana Region (hereinafter Regional Board), finds that:

- 1. On October 15, 2002, the Inland Empire Utilities Agency (hereinafter, discharger or IEUA) submitted a Report of Waste Discharge and a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permit application for the proposed discharge of tertiary treated wastewater and recycling at its new Regional Water Recycling Plant No. 5 (RP-5). RP-5 is located at 6063 Kimball Avenue, Chino, San Bernardino County.
- 2. RP-5 is expected to begin operation in November 2003 and will eventually replace IEUA's Regional Plant No. 2 (RP-2). The RP-2 is an existing wastewater treatment plant that treats domestic and commercial industrial wastewaters from the Cities of Chino and Chino Hills. RP-2 is currently regulated under Order No. 01-2, NPDES No. CA0105287 and under Cease and Desist Order (CDO) No. 01-5. CDO No. 01-5 required IEUA to provide flood protection for the RP-2 facilities by December 1, 2003 by relocating the liquid treatment facilities at RP-2 to a site not subject to flooding.
- 3. To comply with the requirements of CDO No. 01-5, the discharger opted to construct RP-5 at a site not subject to flooding. Once constructed and in operation, the proposed RP-5 will assure compliance with CDO No. 01-5 requirements. This Order rescinds CDO No. 01-5.
- 4. RP-5 is currently under construction to meet the deadline stipulated in CDO No. 01-5. When RP-5 is operational, treated wastewater will no longer be discharged from RP-2 to Chino Creek. This Order rescinds Order No. 01-2.
- 5. RP-5 is designed to treat 15 million gallons per day (mgd) of wastewater. The liquid treatment process at RP-5 consists of the following:
  - a. Primary treatment: a 20 mgd influent headworks, mechanical bar screens, a grit chamber, a 17-millon gallons emergency storage basin;
  - b. Secondary treatment: aeration basin, secondary clarification; and
  - c. Tertiary treatment: flocculation, filtration, chlorination and dechlorination.

- 6. Biosolids from the facility will be pumped and treated at RP-2. Solids treatment system at RP-2 includes gravity thickeners and dissolved air flotation thickeners, anaerobic digestion, digester gas utilization, and belt press dewatering. These facilities were constructed above the 100-year flood level not subject to inundation. Dewatered sludge is hauled away for offsite disposal. This Order covers the solids treatment process located at RP-2.
- 7. Once completed, RP-5 will start receiving and treating approximately 3.5 mgd of domestic and commercial/industrial wastewater flow (wastewater currently received and treated at RP-2). Up to 8 mgd of waste flows from IEUA's Carbon Canyon Water Recycling Facility (CCWRF) and/or RP-1 plant can be diverted into RP-5. The RP-5 wastewater service area will cover the Cities of Chino, Chino Hills, and portions of Ontario, Montclair, and Upland.
- 8. Currently, flows from "Significant Industries" located in the southern service area of RP-5 or RP-2 are either treated at CCWRF, or discharged to the Santa Ana Regional Interceptor (SARI) line. There are no anticipated industrial wastewater contributions to RP-5 from "Significant Industries" in the near future. Because there are neither significant industrial users nor categorical industrial users in RP-5 service area, no pretreatment requirements are specified in this Order. However, when industrial connections occur at a future date, and industrial waste flows are diverted from CCWRF and/or RP-1 to RP-5, IEUA's existing pretreatment program that covers CCWRF, RP-1 and RP-2 will cover RP-5 service areas.
- 9. Most of the tertiary treated wastewater will be discharged to Reach 1 of Chino Creek at latitude 33<sup>0</sup>57'44", and longitude 117<sup>0</sup>40'41". Chino Creek is tributary to Reach 3 of the Santa Ana River. A portion of the tertiary treated effluent will be recycled for landscape irrigation at Chino Creek Park.
- 10. A revised Water Quality Control Plan (Basin Plan) became effective on January 24, 1995. The Basin Plan contains beneficial uses and water quality objectives for waters in the Santa Ana Region.
- 11. The beneficial uses of Chino Creek, Reach 1 include:
  - a. Water contact recreation,
  - b. Non-contact water recreation,
  - c. Warm freshwater habitat,
  - d. Wildlife habitat, and
  - e. Rare, threatened and endangered species.
- 12. The discharger affects the Santa Ana River, Reach 3, as well as the downstream reaches of the River. The beneficial uses of the Santa Ana River, Reach 3 include:
  - a. Agricultural supply,
  - b. Groundwater recharge,
  - c. Water contact recreation,
  - d. Non-contact water recreation.

- e. Warm freshwater habitat,
- f. Wildlife habitat, and
- g. Rare, threatened or endangered species.
- 13. The discharge point overlies the Chino III Groundwater Subbasin, the beneficial uses of which include:
  - a. Municipal and domestic supply,
  - b. Agricultural supply,
  - c. Industrial process supply, and
  - d. Industrial service supply.
- 14. The requirements contained in this Order are necessary to implement the Basin Plan.
- 15. The Basin Plan includes wasteload allocations for total dissolved solids (TDS) and total inorganic nitrogen<sup>1</sup> (TIN) for the upper Santa Ana River dischargers, including IEUA. These allocations were established to assure compliance with the TDS and TIN objectives for the Santa Ana River. The wasteload allocations are implemented through effluent limitations specified in waste discharge requirements, including Order No. 01-2, NPDES No. CA0105287, for IEUA's discharges from RP-2. Revised wasteload allocations for IEUA discharges from its treatment facilities, including RP-5, are being considered as part of a watershed-wide Nitrogen/TDS study. For discharges from RP-5, the revised allocations will recognize the need to assure compliance with the Basin Plan objectives for Reach 1 of Chino Creek, as well as the Santa Ana River. For Chino Creek, Reach 1, the TIN objective is 8 mg/l and the TDS objective is 550 mg/l.
- 16. The management and regulation of nitrogen and TDS in the Santa Ana Region, including the Chino Basin, may be materially affected by the Regional Board's future consideration of Basin Plan amendments recommended by the Nitrogen/TDS Task Force. The Task Force has recommended revised groundwater subbasin boundaries, revised nitrogen and TDS groundwater quality objectives, and revised wasteload allocations. This Order contains re-opener clauses to allow the Regional Board to consider revision of this Order, if necessary, in response to any approved amendments.
- 17. RP-5 and IEUA's RP-1 and CCWRF discharge to and affect essentially the same receiving waters (Chino Creek and thence to Santa Ana River, Reach 3). This Order allows the discharger to offset nitrogen discharges in excess of TIN limits specified herein, provided that an equivalent amount of TIN is removed at RP-1 and/or CCWRF. The discharger is required to demonstrate that there is no net increase in TIN discharges from the IEUA's RP-1, CCRWF and RP-5.
- 18. In compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (Public Resources Code Section 21108 or 21152), IEUA filed a Notice of Determination on June 16, 1999.

<sup>1</sup> Total Inorganic Nitrogen (TIN) is the sum of the nitrate-N, nitrite-N and ammonia-N.

- 19. Article 3, Section 60305 of Title 22, Chapter 3, "Reclamation Criteria" of the California Code of Regulations specifies that recycled water used as a source supply for nonrestricted recreational impoundments shall be at all times an adequately disinfected, oxidized, coagulated, clarified, filtered wastewater (tertiary treated). The degree of treatment specified represents an approximately 5-log reduction in the virus content of the water. The State Department of Health Services has determined that this degree of virus removal is necessary to protect the health of people using these impoundments for water contact recreation.
- 20. The Department of Health Services has developed wastewater disinfection guidelines ("Wastewater Disinfection for Health Protection", Department of Health Services, Sanitary Engineering Branch, February 1987) for discharges of wastewater to surface waters where water contact recreation (REC-1) is a beneficial use. The disinfection guidelines recommend the same treatment requirements for wastewater discharges to REC-1 waters as those stipulated in Title 22 for supply of recycled water to nonrestricted recreational impoundments, since the public health risks under both scenarios are analogous. The disinfection guidelines are based on sound science and are widely used as guidance to assure public health and beneficial use protection.
- 21. The Santa Ana River and Chino Creek are not nonrestricted recreational impoundments," nor is "recycled water", as defined in the Reclamation Criteria, being used as a supply source for the River or Creek. However, except during major storms, most of the flow in the River and Creek is composed of treated municipal wastewater discharges. The River and Creek are used for water contact recreation and, accordingly, are designated REC-1 (water contact beneficial use). People recreating in the River or Creek face an exposure similar to those coming in contact with recycled water in an impoundment. Therefore, to protect the water contact recreation beneficial use and to prevent nuisance and health risk, it is necessary and appropriate to require the same degree of treatment for wastewater discharges to the River and Creek as would be required for the use of recycled water in a nonrestricted recreational impoundment.
- 22. Section 13523 of the California Water Code provides that a regional board, after consulting with and receiving the recommendations of the State Department of Health Services (DHS) and any party who has requested in writing to be consulted, and after any necessary hearing, shall prescribe water reclamation requirements for water which is used or proposed to be used as recycled water, if, in the judgement of the board, such requirements are necessary to protect the public health, safety, or welfare. Section 13523 further provides that such requirements shall include, or be in conformance with, the statewide uniform water recycling criteria established by the State DHS pursuant to the California Water Code Section 13521.
- 23. The use of recycled water for irrigation in parks, golf courses, freeway landscaped, school yards, cemeteries, and other landscape or agricultural areas could affect the health, safety, and welfare of the public; therefore, recycling requirements are necessary.
- 24. The State DHS adopted revised Water Recycling Criteria (Title 22, California Code of Regulations) that became effective on December 2, 2000. This Order implements the revised Criteria for the use of recycled water.

- 25. As required by the Clean Water Act and regulations adopted thereunder, the chemical specific limitations contained in this Order are designed to prevent a violation of any applicable water quality standard for receiving waters adopted by the Regional Board, the State Board or US EPA. If more stringent applicable water quality standards are approved pursuant to Section 303 of the Clean Water Act, or amendments thereto, the Regional Board will revise and modify this Order in accordance with such more stringent standards.
- 26. All stormwater from the RP-5 site will be channeled into the onsite emergency overflow pond located in the northwest corner of the plant. The accumulated stormwater will be pumped to the headworks of the treatment plant. As there is no stormwater runoff from the site into surface waters, no stormwater requirements or monitoring are specified in this Order
- 27. Effluent limitations, national standards of performance, and toxic pretreatment effluent standards established pursuant to Section 208(b), 301, 302, 303(d), 304, 306, and 307 of the Clean Water Act, and amendments thereto, are applicable to the discharge.
- 28. On May 18, 2000, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency issued a final rule for the establishment of Numeric Criteria for Priority Toxic Pollutants necessary to fulfill the requirements of Section 303(c)(2)(B) of the Clean Water Act for the State of California. This rule is commonly referred to as the California Toxics Rule.
- 29. Federal Regulations require permits to include limitations for all pollutants that are or may be discharged at a level that will cause, have the reasonable potential to cause, or contribute to an excursion of a water quality standard.
- 30. On March 2, 2000, the State Water Resources Control Board adopted the Policy for Implementation of Toxics Standards for Inland Surface Waters, Enclosed Bays, and Estuaries of California (the Policy). This Policy includes implementation provisions for the CTR. The Policy specifies a methodology to determine if pollutants in the discharge are at a level that will cause, have the reasonable potential to cause, or contribute to an excursion of a water quality standard, and delineates procedures to be used to calculate appropriate limits.
- 31. This Order implements relevant provisions of the CTR and the State Board Policy. Based on the methodology outlined in the State Board Policy, copper, cyanide, and selenium were found to pose a reasonable potential to cause or contribute to an excursion of a water quality standard. Following the CTR and the Policy procedures, effluent discharge limitations were developed for copper, cyanide, and selenium. Statistical procedures as specified in the Policy are used in calculating effluent limits.

- 32. Given the diversity of potential discharge scenarios when flows from CCWRF and/or RP-1 are diverted to RP-5, this Order addresses the reasonable potential of pollutants of concern to be present in the discharge from RP-5 by including effluent limits for those pollutants of concern that are currently limited in the waste discharge requirements for CCWRF and RP-1. Consequently, this Order also includes effluent limitations for hexachlorocyclohexane-gamma (lindane), tetrachloroethylene, bis (2-ethylhexyl) phthalate, total recoverable cadmium, and total recoverable lead.
- 33. In its January 8, 2001, guidance document, the US EPA finds that a fish tissue residue water quality criterion for methylmercury (Water Quality Criterion for the Protection of Human Health: Methylmercury EPA-823-R-01-001, January 2001) is more appropriate than a water column based water quality criterion. The EPA further states that a fish tissue residue water quality criterion is more closely tied to the Clean Water Act goal of protecting the public health because it is based directly on the human exposure route for methylmercury. Consequently, this Order specifies a receiving water limitation in fish tissue of 0.3 mg methylmercury/kg.
- 34. On February 19, 1993, the USEPA issued a final rule for the use and disposal of sewage sludge, 40 CFR, Part 503. This rule requires that producers of sewage sludge meet certain reporting, handling, and disposal requirements. The State of California has not been delegated the authority to implement this program, therefore, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency is the implementing agency.
- 35. In accordance with Water Code Section 13389, the issuance of waste discharge requirements for this discharge is exempt from those provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act contained in Chapter 3 (commencing with Section 21100), Division 13 of the Public Resources Code.
- 36. The Regional Board has considered antidegradation pursuant to 40 CFR 131.12 and State Board Resolution No. 68-16. The water quality of the receiving waters is not expected to degrade as a result of this discharge. Neither the constituent concentrations of the discharge nor the mass loading of pollutants associated with the discharge will adversely impact water quality or affect the beneficial uses of the receiving waters. Therefore, these waste discharge requirements are consistent with federal and state antidegradation policies.
- 37. The Regional Board has notified the discharger and other interested agencies and persons of its intent to prescribe waste discharge requirements for the discharge and has provided them with an opportunity to submit their written views and recommendations.
- 38. The Regional Board, in a public meeting, heard and considered all comments pertaining to the discharge.

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that the discharger, in order to meet the provisions contained in Division 7 of the California Water Code and regulations adopted thereunder and the provisions of the Clean Water Act and regulations and guidelines adopted thereunder, shall comply with the following:

### A. <u>DISCHARGE SPECIFICATIONS</u>:

- 1. The discharge of wastes containing constituent concentrations in excess of the following limits is prohibited:
  - a. <u>Biological/Solids Limitations</u>:
    - (1). For effluent without a 20:1 dilution (receiving water flow<sup>2</sup>:wastewater flow)

Constituent	Average Weekly	Average Monthly	Average Weekly Emission Rate <sup>3</sup>	Average Monthly Emission Rate <sup>3</sup>
	(mg/l)	(mg/l)	(lbs/day)	(lbs/day
Biochemical Oxygen Demand <sub>5,</sub> 20 <sup>0</sup> C	30	20	3,753	2,502
Suspended Solids	30	20	3,753	2,502

(2). For effluent with a 20:1 dilution (receiving water flow<sup>2</sup>:wastewater flow)

Constituent	Average Weekly (mg/l)	Average Monthly	Average Weekly Emission Rate <sup>3</sup> (lbs/day)	Average Monthly Emission Rate <sup>3</sup> (lbs/day
	(mg/i)	(mg/l)	(IDS/day)	(IDS/Uay
Biochemical Oxygen Demand <sub>5</sub> 20 <sup>o</sup> C	45	30	5,630	3,753

Exclusive of discharges to surface water from upstream publicly owned treatment works.

Mass emission rates shown in and all other tables in this Order are based on 15 mgd flow.

# b. Chlorine Residual/Ammonia Limitations

Constituent	Instantaneous Maximum (mg/l)	Average Monthly (mg/l)	Average Monthly Emission Rate <sup>3</sup> (lbs/day)	
Ammonia-Nitrogen		4.5	563	
Total Chlorine Residual <sup>4</sup>	0.1			

- c. <u>TDS Limitations</u>: For Discharge Specifications No. 1.c.i. and 1.c.ii., the lower of the two total dissolved solids limit is the limit.<sup>5</sup>
  - i. The 12-month average total dissolved solids concentration shall not exceed 550 mg/l and 12-month average mass emission rate shall not exceed 68,805 lbs/day, and
  - ii. The 12-month average total dissolved solids concentration shall not exceed the 12-month average total dissolved solids concentration in the water supply by more than 250 mg/l.<sup>6</sup>
- d. <u>Total Inorganic Nitrogen (TIN) Limitations</u>: The 12-month average TIN concentration shall not exceed 8 mg/l (see also Section F.3. and F.9., "Compliance Determination"). The 12-month average TIN mass emission rate shall not exceed 1,001 lbs per day<sup>7</sup>.
- e. Trace Constituent Effluent Limitations:

Constituent	Maximum Daily Concentrati on Limit	Average Monthly Concentration Limit	Maximum Daily Mass Emission Rate <sup>3</sup>	Average Monthly Mass Emission Rate <sup>3</sup>
	(µg/l)	(µg/l)	(lbs/day)	(lbs /day)
Total Recoverable Copper <sup>8</sup>	53	26	6.63	3.25

See Section F.5., "Compliance Determination"

<sup>5</sup> See Section F.6. and F.7., "Compliance Determination"

<sup>6</sup> See Section F.8., "Compliance Determination"

<sup>7</sup> Calculated from 15 mgd x 8.34 x 8 mg/l.

The median total hardness (156 mg/l) of effluent flow from RP-2 is used to calculate total recoverable limits for copper, cadmium, and lead.

Constituent	Maximum Daily Concentrati on Limit (μg/l)	Average Monthly Concentration Limit (µg/l)	Maximum Daily Mass Emission Rate <sup>3</sup> (lbs/day)	Average Monthly Mass Emission Rate <sup>3</sup> (lbs /day)
Total Recoverable Selenium	8.2	4.1	1.03	0.51
Free Cyanide	8.5	4.3	1.06	0.54
Total Recoverable Cadmium	13.3	6.6	1.66	0.83
Total Recoverable Lead	40.7	20.3	5.09	2.54
Bis(2-ethylhexyl) phthalate	11.8	5.9	1.48	0.74
Hexachlorocylohexane- gamma (Lindane)	0.126	0.063	0.02	0.01
Tetrachloroethylene	17.76	8.85	2.22	1.11

- 2. The discharge shall at all times be a filtered and subsequently disinfected wastewater that meets the following criteria:
  - a. Filtered wastewater means an oxidized wastewater that meets either (1) or (2), below:
    - (1) Has been coagulated and passed through natural undisturbed soils or a bed of filter media pursuant to the following:
      - (a) At a rate that does not exceed 5 gallons per minute per square foot of surface area in mono, dual or mixed media gravity, upflow or pressure filtration systems, or does not exceed 2 gallons per minute per square foot of surface area in traveling bridge automatic backwash filters, based on peak dry weather design flow; and
      - (b) The turbidity of the filtered wastewater does not exceed any of the following:
        - i. An average of 2 Nephelometric Turbidity Unit (NTU) within a 24-hour period;
        - ii. 5 NTU more than 5 percent of the time within a 24-hour period; and
        - iii. 10 NTU at any time<sup>9</sup>.

<sup>9</sup> See Section F.11., "Compliance Determination."

- (2) Has been passed through a microfiltration, ultrafiltration, nanofiltration, or reverse osmosis membrane so that the turbidity of the filtered wastewater does not exceed any of the following:
  - (a) 0.2 NTU more than 5 percent of the time within a 24-hour period; and
  - (b) 0.5 NTU at any time.
- b. Disinfected tertiary wastewater shall mean a filtered wastewater that has been disinfected and meets the following criteria:
  - (1) The filtered wastewater has been disinfected by either:
    - (a) A chlorine disinfection process following filtration that provides a CT (the product of total chlorine residual and modal contact time measured at the same point) value of not less than 450 milligramminutes per liter at all times with a modal contact time of at least 90 minutes, based on peak dry weather design flow; or
    - (b) A disinfection process that, when combined with the filtration process, demonstrates<sup>10</sup> inactivation and/or removal of 99.999 percent of the plaque-forming units of F-specific bacteriophage MS-2<sup>11</sup>, or polio virus in the wastewater. A virus that is at least as resistant to disinfection as polio virus may be used for purposes of the demonstration. Where ultraviolet (UV) disinfection is used for disinfection, UV disinfection shall deliver under worst operating conditions a minimum UV dose of 140 milli-watts seconds per square centimeter (mW-s/cm2) at maximum weekly flow and 100 mW-s/cm2 at peak flow (maximum day), unless otherwise approved by the Department of Health Services.
  - (2) The average weekly concentration of total coliform bacteria measured in the disinfected effluent shall not exceed an MPN of 2.2 per 100 milliliters. The average weekly concentration shall be evaluated using the median of the bacteriological results of the last seven days<sup>12</sup>.

Meeting the discharge limits in A.2.b.(2),(3),and (4) shall constitute the demonstration required by this sub-paragraph.

F-Specific bacteriophage MS-2 means a strain of a specific type of virus that infects coliform bacteria that is traceable to the American Type Culture Collection (ATCC) 15597B1) and is grown on lawns of E. coli (ATCC 15597).

See Section F.12., "Compliance Determination."

- (3) The number of total coliform bacteria shall not exceed an MPN of 23 per 100 milliliters in more than one sample in any calendar month.
- (4) The number of total coliform bacteria shall not exceed an MPN of 240 per 100 milliliters in any sample.
- c. A coagulated wastewater shall be an oxidized wastewater in which colloidal and finely divided suspended matter have been destabilized and agglomerated upstream from a filter by the addition of suitable floc-forming chemicals.
- d. An oxidized wastewater shall be wastewater in which the organic matter has been stabilized, is non-putrescible, and contains dissolved oxygen.
- 3. The monthly average biochemical oxygen demand and suspended solids concentrations of the discharge shall not be greater than fifteen percent (15%) of the monthly average influent concentrations.
- 4. The discharge of any substances in concentrations toxic to animal or plant life in the affected receiving water is prohibited.
- 5. There shall be no visible oil and grease in the discharge.
- 6. The pH of the discharge shall be within 6.5 and 8.5 pH<sup>13</sup>.
- 7. Recycled water for reclamation shall not cause a measurable increase in organic chemical contaminants in the groundwater.

# B. <u>TOXICITY REQUIREMENTS</u>:

- 1. This Order contains no numeric limitation for toxicity. However, the discharger shall conduct chronic toxicity monitoring as specified in Monitoring and Reporting Program (M&RP) No. R8-2003-0003.
- 2. The discharger shall implement the accelerated monitoring as specified in Section D.4. of the M&RP No. R8-2003-0003 when the result of any single chronic toxicity test of the effluent exceeds 1.0 TUc.
- 3. The discharger shall develop an Initial Investigation Toxicity Reduction Evaluation (IITRE) work plan that describes the steps the discharger intends to follow if required by Toxicity Requirement No. 4, below. The work plan shall include at a minimum:

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- a. A description of the investigation and evaluation techniques that will be used to identify potential causes/sources of the exceedance, effluent variability, and/or efficiency of the treatment system in removing toxic substances. This shall include a description of an accelerated chronic toxicity testing program.
- b. A description of the methods to be used for investigating and maximizing inhouse treatment efficiency and good housekeeping practices.
- c. A description of the evaluation process to be used to determine if implementation of a more detailed TRE\TIE is necessary.
- 4. The discharger shall implement the IITRE work plan whenever the results of chronic toxicity tests of the effluent exceed:
  - a. A two month median value of 1.0 TUc for survival or reproduction endpoint or,
  - b. Any single test value of 1.7 TUc for survival endpoint.
- 5. The discharger shall develop a detailed Toxicity Reduction Evaluation and Toxicity Identification Evaluation (TRE/TIE) work plan that shall describe the steps the discharger intends to follow if the implemented IITRE fails to identify the cause of, or rectify, the toxicity.
- 6. The discharger shall use as guidance, at a minimum, EPA manuals EPA/600/2-88/070 (industrial), EPA/600/4-89-001A (municipal), EPA/600/6-91/005F (Phase I), EPA/600/R-92/080 (Phase II), and EPA-600/R-92/081 (Phase III) to identify the cause(s) of toxicity. If during the life of this Order the aforementioned EPA manuals are revised or updated, the revised/updated manuals may also be used as guidance. The detailed TRE/TIE work plan shall include:
  - a. Further actions to investigate and identify the cause of toxicity;
  - b. Actions the discharger will take to mitigate the impact of the discharge and to prevent the recurrence of toxicity; and
  - c. A schedule for these actions.
- 7. The discharger shall implement the TRE/TIE workplan if the IITRE fails to identify the cause of, or rectify, the toxicity, or if in the opinion of the Executive Officer the IITRE does not adequately address an identified toxicity problem.
- 8. The discharger shall assure that adequate resources are available to implement the required TRE/TIE.

# c. <u>RECEIVING WATER LIMITATIONS</u> <sup>14</sup>:

- 1. The discharge of wastes shall not cause a violation of any applicable water quality standards for receiving waters adopted by the Board or State Board, as required by the Clean Water Act and regulations adopted thereunder.
- 2. The discharge shall not cause any of the following:
  - a. Coloration of the receiving waters, which causes a nuisance or adversely affects beneficial uses.
  - b. Deposition of oil, grease, wax or other materials in the receiving waters in concentrations which result in a visible film or in coating objects in the water, or which cause a nuisance or affect beneficial uses.
  - c. An increase in the amounts of suspended or settleable solids in the receiving waters, which will cause a nuisance or adversely affect beneficial uses as a result of controllable water quality factors.
  - d. Taste or odor producing substances in the receiving waters at concentrations, which cause a nuisance or adversely affect beneficial uses.
  - e. The presence of radioactive materials in the receiving waters in concentrations, which are deleterious to human, plant or animal life.
  - f. The depletion of the dissolved oxygen concentration below 5.0 mg/l.
  - g. The temperature of the receiving waters to be raised above 90°F (32°C) during the period of June through October, or above 78°F (26°C) during the rest of the year.
  - h. The concentration of pollutants in the water column, sediments, or biota to adversely affect the beneficial uses of the receiving water. The discharge shall not result in the degradation of inland surface water communities and populations, including vertebrate, invertebrate, and plant species.
- 3. Pollutants not specifically mentioned and limited in this Order shall not be discharged at levels that will bioaccumulate in aquatic resources to levels, which are harmful to human health.

Receiving water limitations are specific interpretations of water quality objectives from applicable water quality control plans. As such, they are a required part of this Order. A receiving water condition not in conformance with any of these receiving water limitations is not necessarily a violation of this Order. The Regional Board may require an investigation to determine the cause and culpability prior to asserting a violation has occurred, or requiring that corrective action be taken.

4. The discharge shall not contain constituent concentrations of mercury that will result in the bioaccumulation of methylmercury in fish flesh tissue greater than 0.3 milligram methylmercury/kilogram fish.

# D. <u>BIOSOLIDS REQUIREMENTS</u>:

- 1. Collected screenings, biosolids, and other solids removed from liquid wastes shall be disposed of in a manner that is consistent with Chapter 15, Division 3, Title 23, of the California Code of Regulations and approved by the Executive Officer.
- 2. The use and disposal of biosolids shall comply with existing Federal and State laws and regulations, including permitting requirements and technical standards included in 40 CFR 503. (see also Section J.6. Permit Re-opening, Revision, Revocation, and Reissuance).
- 3. Any proposed change in biosolids use or disposal practice from a previously approved practice shall be reported to the Executive Officer and EPA Regional Administrator at least 90 days in advance of the change.
- 4. The discharger shall take all reasonable steps to minimize or prevent any discharge or biosolids use or disposal that has the potential of adversely affecting human health or the environment

## **E.** WATER RECYCLING REQUIREMENTS:

- 1. Recycling of treated effluent wastewater is prohibited when any of the following conditions occur:
  - a. Failure of chlorination equipment.
  - b. Effluent total coliform MPN is greater than 240/100 milliliters.
  - c. Turbidity of treated effluent is greater than 10 NTU.
  - d. The chlorine contact time is less than 450 (mg-min)/l.
- 2. The discharger shall be responsible for assuring that recycled water is delivered and utilized in conformance with this Order, the recycling criteria contained in Title 22, Division 4, Chapter 3, Sections 60301 through 60355, California Code of Regulations, and the "Guidelines for Use of Reclaimed Water" by the California Department of Health Services. The discharger shall conduct periodic inspections of the facilities of the recycled water users to monitor compliance by the users with this Order.
- 3. The discharger shall establish and enforce Rules and Regulations for Recycled Water users, governing the design and construction of recycled water use facilities and the use of recycled water in accordance with the uniform statewide recycling criteria established pursuant to the California Water Code Section 13521.

- a. Use of recycled water by the discharger shall be consistent with its Rules and Regulations for Recycled Water Use.
- b. Any revisions made to the Rules and Regulations shall be subject to the review of the Regional Board, the State Department of Health Services, and the County of Riverside Department of Environmental Health. The revised Rules and Regulations or a letter certifying that the discharger's Rules and Regulations contain the updated provisions in this Order, shall be submitted to the Regional Board within 60 days of adoption of this Order by the Regional Board.
- 4. The discharger shall, within 60 days of the adoption of this Order, review and update as necessary its program to conduct compliance inspections of recycled water reuse sites. Inspections shall determine the status of compliance with the discharger's Rules and Regulations for Recycled Water Use.
- 5. The storage, delivery, or use of recycled water shall not individually or collectively, directly or indirectly, result in a pollution or nuisance, or adversely affect water quality, as defined in the California Water Code. The use of recycled water shall be in conformance with the wastewater recycling plan specified in the Basin Plan (Table 5-7). Proposed large scale wastewater recycling activities which are not in conformance with the Basin Plan shall be considered for approval by the Regional Board on a case by case basis (see also Section E.7., below).
- 6. Prior to delivering recycled water to any new user, the discharger shall submit to the Regional Board, the California Department of Health Services and the Riverside County Health Department a report containing the following information for review and approval:
  - a. The average number of persons estimated to be served at each use site area on a daily basis.
  - b. The specific boundaries of the proposed use site area including a map showing the location of each facility, drinking water fountain, and impoundment to be used.
  - c. The person or persons responsible for operation of the recycled water system at each use area.
  - d. The specific use to be made of the recycled water at each use area.
  - e. The methods to be used to assure that the installation and operation of the recycled system will not result in cross connections between the recycled water and potable water piping systems. This shall include a description of the pressure, dye or other test methods to be used to test the system.
  - f. Plans and specifications which include following:
    - 1) Proposed piping system to be used.
    - 2) Pipe locations of both the recycled and potable systems.
    - 3) Type and location of the outlets and plumbing fixtures that will be accessible to the public.

- 4) The methods and devices to be used to prevent backflow of recycled water into the potable water system.
- 5) Plan notes relating to specific installation and use requirements.
- 7. Proposed large scale recycling activities that are not in conformance with the Basin Plan shall be initiated only with the prior approval of the Regional Board. The Executive Officer may require the submission of additional information in order to evaluate the water quality impacts of the proposal.
- 8. An on-site supervisor responsible for the operation of the recycled water distribution system shall be designated by the user. The supervisor shall be responsible for enforcing this Order, prevention of potential hazards, the installation, operation and maintenance of the distribution system, maintenance of the distribution and irrigation system plans in "asbuilt" form, and for the distribution of the recycled wastewater in accordance with this Order.

### F. COMPLIANCE DETERMINATION:

- 1. The "maximum daily" concentration is defined as the measurement made on any single grab sample or composite sample.
- 2. Compliance with average weekly and monthly discharge limitations specified under Discharge Specifications A.1.a., A.1.b. and A.1.e. shall be determined from the average of the analytical results of all samples collected during a calendar week or month, respectively.
- 3. Compliance with the 12-month average limit under Discharge Specification A.1.c. and A.1.d. shall be determined by the arithmetic mean of the last twelve monthly averages.
- 4. The discharger shall be deemed out of compliance with an effluent limitation if the concentration of the priority pollutant in the monitoring sample is greater than the effluent limitation.
  - a. Compliance determination shall be based on the minimum level (ML)<sup>15</sup> specified in Attachment "A" of the Monitoring and Reporting Program No. R8-2003-0003, unless an alternative minimum level is approved by the Regional Board's Executive Officer. When there is more than one ML value for a given substance, the discharger shall select the ML value which is below the calculated effluent limitation, and use its associated analytical method, listed in Attachment "A" of the M&RP. If no ML value is below the effluent limitation, then the Regional Board will select the lowest ML value and its associated analytical method.

Minimum level is the concentration at which the entire analytical system must give a recognizable signal and acceptable point. The ML is the concentration in a sample that is equivalent to the concentration of the lowest calibration standard analyzed by a specific analytical procedure, assuming that all the method specified sample weights, volumes, and processing steps have been followed.

- b. When determining compliance with an average monthly limit and more than one sample result is available in a month, the discharger shall compute the arithmetic mean unless the data set contains one or more reported determinations of detected but not quantified (DNQ) or not detected (ND). In those cases, the discharger shall compute the median in place of the arithmetic mean in accordance with the following procedure:
  - 1) The data set shall be ranked from low to high, reported ND determinations lowest, DNQ determinations next, followed by quantified values (if any). The order of the individual ND or DNQ determinations is unimportant.
  - The median value of the data set shall be determined. If the data set has an odd number of data points, then the median is the middle value. If the data set has an even number of data points, then the median is the average of the two values around the middle unless one or both of the points are ND or DNQ, in which case the median value shall be the lower of the two data points where DNQ is lower than a value and ND is lower than DNQ. If a sample result, or the arithmetic mean or median of multiple sample results, is below the reported ML, and there is evidence that the priority pollutant is present in the effluent above an effluent limitation and the discharger conducts a pollutant minimization program (PMP)<sup>16</sup> (as described in Section I.6.), the discharger shall not be deemed out of compliance.
- 5. Compliance determinations for total chlorine residual shall be based on 99% compliance. To determine 99% compliance with the effluent limitation specified in Discharge Specification A.1.b. for total chlorine residual, the following conditions shall be satisfied:
  - a. The total time during which the total chlorine residual values are above 0.1 mg/l (instantaneous maximum value) shall not exceed 7 hours and 26 minutes in any calendar month;
  - b. No individual excursion from 0.1 mg/l value shall exceed 5 minutes; and
  - c. No individual excursion shall exceed 5.0 mg/l.
- 6. The Regional Board will not initiate enforcement action for violations of the TDS limit specified in Discharge Specification A.1.c.i., except as required by Sections 13385 (h) and (i) of the California Water Code, provided that:
  - a. The discharger demonstrates to the satisfaction of the Regional Board's Executive Officer that:

The goal of the PMP shall be to reduce all potential sources of a priority pollutant(s) through pollutant minimization (control) strategies, including pollution prevention measures as appropriate, to maintain the effluent concentration at or below the water quality-based effluent limitation.

- 1) the violation is due to the TDS quality of water supply sources utilized in the discharger's service area; and
- 2) that all reasonable steps, as agreed upon by the Executive Officer, have been taken to ensure that best TDS quality supplies are obtained and utilized in the discharger's service area; and
- b. The discharger develops and implements, with the approval of the Executive Officer, a plan to offset TDS discharges in excess of TDS limitations.
- 7. The Regional Board will not initiate enforcement action for violations of the TDS limits specified in Discharge Specifications A.1.c.i. and A.1.c.ii., except as required by Sections 13385 (h) and (i) of the California Water Code, provided that:
  - a. The discharger demonstrates to the satisfaction of the Executive Officer that:
    - 1) The TDS violation(s) are due solely to chemical additions in the treatment process needed to meet waste discharge requirements; and
    - 2) The discharger has taken all steps to optimize chemical additions so as to minimize the TDS increases; and
  - b. The discharger develops and implements, with the approval of the Executive Officer, a plan to offset TDS discharges in excess of TDS limitations.
- 8. Compliance with Discharge Specifications A.1.c.ii. shall be determined on IEUA's (RP-1, RP-4, RP-5, and CCWRF) areawide TDS water supply quality. The discharger shall provide the necessary calculations showing the overall TDS water supply quality.
- 9. If the TIN limit in this Order (Discharge Specifications A.1.d.) is exceeded, compliance shall be achieved by removal of an equivalent amount of total inorganic nitrogen (nitrogen offset program) from RP-1, RP-4, and/or CCWRF. The discharger shall provide the necessary calculations showing that the offset program has not resulted in any net increase in TIN discharges from RP-1 and RP-4, RP-5 and CCWRF.
- 10. Pursuant to 40 CFR 401.17, the discharger shall be in compliance with the pH limitation specified in Discharge Specification A.6., above, provided that both of the following conditions are satisfied:
  - a. The total time during which the pH values are outside the required range of 6.5-8.5 pH values shall not exceed 7 hours and 26 minutes in any calendar month; and
  - b. No individual excursion from the range of pH values shall exceed 60 minutes.

- 11. Exceedances of the "10 NTU at any time" turbidity requirement referenced in Discharge Specifications A.2.a.(1)(b)iii. shall not be considered a violation of these waste discharge requirements if such exceedance does not exceed a duration of one minute. The discharger shall not be considered to be in violation of this requirement if the apparent exceedance was caused by interference with, or malfunction of, the monitoring instrument. If the discharger is using a properly operating backup turbidimeter, the reading of the backup turbidimeter shall be considered in determining whether there has been an actual noncompliance.
- 12. Compliance with the weekly average total coliform limit expressed in Discharge Specification A.2.b.(2) shall be based on a running median of the test results from the previous 7 days. To comply with the weekly average limit, the 7-day median MPN must not exceed 2.2 per 100 milliliters on any day during the week. However, only one violation is recorded for each calendar week, even if the 7-day median MPN value is greater than 2.2 for more than one day in the week.
- 13. Compliance determinations shall be based on available analyses for the time interval associated with the effluent limitation. Where only one sample analysis is available in a specified time interval (e.g., monthly or weekly average), that sample shall serve to characterize the discharge for the entire interval. If quarterly sample results show noncompliance with the average monthly limit and that sample result is used for compliance determinations for each month of the quarter, then three separate violations of the average monthly limit shall be deemed to have occurred.
- 14. Compliance with a single effluent limitation which applies to a group of chemicals (e.g., PCBs), based on a single sample shall be determined by considering the concentrations of individual members of the group to be zero if the analytical response for the individual chemical falls below the method detection limit (MDL or PQL) for that chemical.
- 15. For non-priority pollutants, the discharge shall be considered to be in compliance with an effluent limitation, which is less than or equal to the PQL specified in Attachment "C" of M&RP No. R8-2003-0003 if the arithmetic mean of all test results for the monitoring period is less than the constituent effluent limitation. Analytical results that are less than the specified PQL shall be assigned a value of zero.
- 16. "Upset" means an exceptional incident in which there is unintentional and temporary noncompliance with permit effluent limitations because of factors beyond the reasonable control of the discharger. An upset does not include noncompliance to the extent caused by operational error, improperly designed treatment facilities, inadequate treatment facilities, lack of preventive maintenance, or careless or improper action. A discharger that wishes to establish the affirmative defense of an upset in an action brought for noncompliance shall demonstrate, by relevant direct or circumstantial evidence that:
  - a. an upset occurred and that the discharger can identify the likely cause(s) of the upset;

- b. the permitted facility was being properly operated at the time of the upset;
- c. the discharger submitted notice of the upset as required in Section G.14., below; and
- d. the discharger complied with any remedial measures required under Section I.10., below.

Regional Board's Executive Officer's preliminary determinations shall not be subject to judicial review until after final administrative action has been taken by the Regional Board. In any enforcement proceeding, the discharger seeking to establish the occurrence of an upset has the burden of proof.

### G. REQUIRED NOTICES AND REPORTS:

# 1. Reporting Provisions:

- a. All applications, reports, or information submitted to the Regional Board shall be signed and certified in accordance with 40 CFR 122.22 except as otherwise specified by the Regional Board's Executive Officer.
- b. The discharger shall furnish, within a reasonable time, any information the Regional Board or EPA may request to determine compliance with this Order or whether cause exists for modifying, revoking and reissuing, or terminating this Order. The discharger shall also furnish to the Regional Board, upon request, copies of records required to be kept by this Order.
- c. Except for data determined to be confidential under Section 308 of the CWA, all reports prepared in accordance with the terms of this Order shall be available for public inspection at the offices of the Regional Board and the Regional Administrator of EPA. As required by the CWA, effluent data shall not be considered confidential. Knowingly making any false statements on any such report may result in the imposition of criminal penalties as provided for in Section 309 of the CWA and Section 13387 of the California Water Code.
- 2. By October 1, 2003, the discharger shall notify the Executive Officer of its continuous involvement with the comprehensive mercury investigation program currently being conducted by a group of Santa Ana River system dischargers. If the discharger discontinues its involvement with this comprehensive program, the discharger shall, within 60 days of that date, submit for the approval of the Executive Officer its plan for the annual testing of mercury levels in fish flesh samples collected from the Santa Ana River, upstream of, at, and downstream of the point of the River's confluence with Chino Creek. Upon approval, the discharger shall implement the plan.

- 3. By October 1, 2003, the discharger shall submit an updated written description of electrical power failure safeguards. Such safeguards may include alternate power sources, standby generators, retention capacity, operating procedures, or other means. The description of the safeguards provided shall include an analysis of the frequency, duration, and impact of power failures experienced over the past year(s) of treatment plant operation on effluent quality and on the capability of the discharger to comply with the requirements of this Order. Deficiencies in present safeguards must be identified together with a plan for any necessary corrective actions. The adequacy of the safeguards and the corrective action plan (if necessary) is subject to the approval of the Executive Officer.
- 4. By October 1, 2003, the discharger shall submit an updated technical report on the discharger's preventive (failsafe) and contingency (response and cleanup) plans for controlling accidental discharges and for minimizing the effect of such events. This technical report may be combined with that required under Section G.3., above. The technical report shall:
  - a. Identify the possible sources of accidental loss, untreated waste bypass, and contaminated drainage. Loading and storage areas, power outage, waste treatment outage, and failure of process equipment, tanks, and pipes should be considered.
  - b. Evaluate the effectiveness of present facilities and procedures and state when they become operational.
  - c. Describe any new facilities and procedures needed. Predict the effectiveness of the proposed facilities and procedures and provide an implementation schedule containing interim and final dates when they will be constructed, implemented, or operational.
  - d. Describe proposed and completed training programs and schedules to train and familiarize plant operating personnel with the discharger's preventive (failsafe) and contingency (response and cleanup) plans for controlling accidental discharges and for minimizing the effect of such events.
- 5. By October 1, 2003, the discharger shall submit a copy of the Initial Investigation Toxicity Reduction Evaluation work plan specified in Toxicity Requirement B.3 of this Order.
- 6. By October 1, 2003, the discharger shall submit a copy of the TRE/TIE work plan specified in Toxicity Requirement B.5 of this Order.
- 7. By October 1, 2003, the discharger shall submit for approval by the Executive Officer, a report which details the manner in which sampling, monitoring and reporting will be performed as required in this Order.

- 8. The discharger shall orally notify the Executive Officer of the Regional Board, or designee, within 24 hours of a discharge of secondary treated and disinfected wastewater into Chino Creek. Within seven days after the discharge, the discharger shall submit documentation that 20:1 dilution existed in Chino Creek at the time of the discharge. Documentation shall include the date(s), time(s), and duration(s) of the discharge, the corresponding flow in the receiving stream during the discharge, and the climatic condition in the area during the discharge.
- 9. The discharger shall give advance notice to the Regional Board of any planned physical alterations or additions to the permitted facility or changes in operation or activity that may result in noncompliance with these waste discharge requirements.
- 10. The discharger shall provide adequate notice to the Regional Board of:
  - a. Any new introduction of pollutants into the POTW from an indirect discharger that would be subject to Sections 301 or 306 of the CWA if it were directly discharging those pollutants.<sup>17</sup>
  - b. Any change in the volume or character of pollutants being introduced by an existing or new source into the treatment facility that will cause or threaten to cause a violation of this Order.
  - c. Any planned changes in the discharger's biosolids use or disposal practice, or provision of additional disposal sites not reported during the permit application process.
  - d. Any proposed change in the character, location, or method of disposal of the discharge, or any proposed change in ownership of the facility.
  - e. All instances of noncompliance. Reports of noncompliance shall be submitted with the discharger's next scheduled self-monitoring report or earlier, as specified in this Order, or if requested by the Executive Officer, or if required by an applicable standard for biosolids use and disposal.
- 11. The discharger shall submit a Title 22 Engineering Report for review and approval by the Department of Health Services prior to the use of recycled water at proposed recycling sites. The Engineering Report shall be in compliance with the California Code of Regulations, Title 22, Chapter 3.
- 12. The discharger shall file a written report with the Regional Board within ninety (90) days after the average dry-weather waste flow for any month equals or exceeds 75 percent of the design capacity of the waste treatment and/or disposal facilities. The discharger's senior administrative officer shall sign a letter which transmits that report and certifies that the policy making body is adequately informed about it. The report shall include:

Adequate notice shall include information on the quality and quantity of effluent introduced, and any anticipated impact of the change on the quantity or quality of the discharger's effluent and/or sludge.

- a. Average daily flow for the month, the date on which the instantaneous peak flow occurred, the rate of that peak flow, and the total flow for the day.
- b. The discharger's best estimate of when the average daily dry-weather flow rate will equal or exceed the design capacity of the treatment facilities.
- c. The discharger's intended schedule for studies, design, and other steps needed to provide additional capacity for the waste treatment and/or disposal facilities before the waste flow rate equals the capacity of present units.
- 13. The discharger shall file with the Regional Board a Report of Waste Discharge at least 180 days before making any material change in the character, location, or volume of the discharge. A material change includes, but is not limited to, the following:
  - a. Adding a major industrial waste discharge to a discharge of essentially domestic sewage, or adding a new process or product by an industrial facility resulting in a change in the character of the waste.
  - b. Significantly changing the disposal method or location, such as changing the disposal to another drainage area or water body.
  - c. Significantly changing the method of treatment.
  - d. Increasing the treatment plant design capacity beyond that specified in this Order.
- 14. The discharger shall immediately report any condition related to the discharger's collection, treatment or disposal facilities that endangers human health or the environment. This includes any unauthorized discharge of treated, partially treated, or untreated wastewater from the discharger's collection, treatment, or disposal system that endangers human health or the environment. All available information concerning the condition and/or unauthorized discharge shall be provided to the Executive Officer or the Executive Officer's designee (909-782-4130) and the Office of Emergency Services (1-800-852-7550), as soon as the discharger becomes aware of the circumstances. A written report shall be submitted within 5 days and shall contain a description of the condition and its cause; the duration of the condition, including exact dates and times, and, if the condition has not been corrected, the anticipated time it is expected to continue; and the steps taken or planned to reduce, eliminate, and prevent recurrence of the condition, with a schedule for their implementation. The following shall be included as information that must be reported within 24 hours from time discharger becomes aware of the circumstances:
  - a. Any unanticipated bypass that exceeds any limitation of this Order.
  - b. Any upset that exceeds any limitation of this Order.

- c. Any violation of a maximum daily discharge limitation for any of the pollutants listed in this Order.
- d. Any unauthorized discharge of treated, partially treated, or untreated wastewater resulting from the intentional or unintentional diversion of wastewater from a collection, treatment or disposal system that endangers human health or the environment.

The Executive Officer or the Executive Officer's designee may waive the above required written report on a case-by-case basis.

Unauthorized discharges of more than 100 gallons that do not endanger human health or the environment shall be reported to the Executive Officer's designee no later than the last day of the month following the month the discharges occurred.

## H. PENALTIES:

- 1. Violation of any of the provisions of the NPDES program or of any of the provisions of this Order may subject the violator to any of the penalties described under Section 309(c) of the CWA, or any subsequent amendments to Section 309(c). The violator may be subjected to any combination of the penalties described herein at the discretion of the prosecuting authority; however, only one kind of penalty may be applied for each kind of violation.
- 2. The CWA provides that any person who violates any portion of this Order implementing Sections 301, 302, 306, 307, 308, 318, or 405 of the CWA, or any order requirement or limitation implementing any such sections in this Order, is subject to a civil penalty not to exceed \$25,000 per day for each violation. The CWA provides that any person who willfully or negligently violates this Order with regard to these sections of the CWA is subject to criminal penalties of \$2,500 to \$25,000 per day of violation, or imprisonment of not more than 1 year, or both. Any person who knowingly violates a provision implementing these sections is subject to criminal penalties of \$5,000 to \$50,000 per day of violation, or imprisonment of not more than 3 years, or both.
- 3. The CWA provides that any person who knowingly falsifies, tampers with, or knowingly renders inaccurate any monitoring device or method required to be maintained under this Order shall, upon conviction, be punished by a fine of not more than \$10,000 per violation, or by imprisonment for not more than 2 years per violation, or by both.
- 4. The CWA provides that any person who knowingly makes any false statement, representation, or certification in any record or other document submitted or required to be maintained under this Order, including monitoring reports or reports of compliance or noncompliance shall, upon conviction, be punished by a fine of not more than \$10,000 per violation, or by imprisonment for not more than 2 years per violation, or by both.

5. The California Water Code provides that any person who violates an order of the Regional Board is subject to civil penalties of up to \$25,000 per day of violation, and when the violation involves the discharge of pollutants, additional civil penalties of up to \$25 per gallon.

### I. PROVISIONS:

- 1. This Order shall serve as a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permit pursuant to Section 402 of the CWA, or amendments thereto. The NPDES permit shall become effective 10 days after the date of adoption provided the Regional Administrator of the EPA has no objection. If the Regional Administrator objects to its issuance, this Order shall not serve as an NPDES permit until such objection is withdrawn.
- 2. Neither the treatment nor the discharge of waste shall create, or threaten to create, a nuisance or pollution as defined by Section 13050 of the California Water Code.
- 3. Order No. 01-2 and CDO No. 01-5 are hereby rescinded.
- 4. This Order expires July 1, 2008 and the discharger must file a Report of Waste Discharge in accordance with Title 23, Division 3, Chapter 9 of the California Code of Regulations not later than 180 days in advance of this expiration date. The Report of Waste Discharge shall serve as the application for issuance of new waste discharge requirements.
- 5. The discharger shall comply with M&RP No. R8-2003-0003 as issued by the Executive Officer. This monitoring and reporting program may be modified by the Executive Officer at any time during the term of this Order, and may include a reduction or an increase in the number of parameters to be monitored, the frequency of the monitoring or the number and size of samples to be collected. Any increase in the number of parameters to be monitored, the frequency of the monitoring or the number and size of samples to be collected may be reduced back to the levels specified in the original monitoring and reporting program at the discretion of the Executive Officer.
- 6. The discharger shall conduct a Pollutant Minimization Program (PMP) when there is evidence that the priority pollutant is present in the effluent above an effluent limitation (e.g., sample results reported as detected but not quantified (DNQ) when the effluent limitation is less than the MDL, sample results from analytical methods more sensitive than those methods included in the permit, presence of whole effluent toxicity, health advisories for fish consumption, results of benthic or aquatic organism tissue sampling) and either: (i) A sample result is reported as DNQ and the effluent limitation is less than the reported ML; or (ii) A sample result is reported as ND and the effluent limitation is less than the MDL. The PMP shall include, but not be limited to, the following actions and submittals acceptable to the Regional Board:

- a. An annual review and semi-annual monitoring of potential sources of the reportable priority pollutant(s), which may include fish tissue monitoring and other bio-uptake sampling;
- b. Quarterly monitoring for the reportable priority pollutant(s) in the influent to the wastewater treatment system;
- c. Submittal of a control strategy designed to proceed toward the goal of maintaining concentrations of the reportable priority pollutant(s) in the effluent at or below the effluent limitation;
- d. Implementation of appropriate cost-effective control measures for the reportable priority pollutant(s), consistent with the control strategy; and
- e. An annual status report that shall be sent to the Regional Board including:
  - 1) All PMP monitoring results for the previous year;
  - 2) A list of potential sources of the reportable priority pollutant(s);
  - 3) A summary of all actions undertaken pursuant to the control strategy; and
  - 4) A description of actions to be taken in the following year.
- 7. The discharger shall maintain a copy of this Order at the site so that it is available to site operating personnel at all times. Key operating personnel shall be familiar with its content.
- 8. The discharger must comply with all of the requirements of this Order. Any violation of this Order constitutes a violation of the California Water Code and may constitute a violation of the CWA and its regulations, and is grounds for enforcement action, termination of this Order, revocation and re-issuance of this Order, denial of an application for re-issuance of this Order; or a combination thereof.
- 9. The discharger shall take all reasonable steps to:
  - a. minimize or prevent any discharge that has a reasonable likelihood of adversely affecting human health or the environment.
  - b. minimize any adverse impact to receiving waters resulting from noncompliance with any requirements specified in this Order, including such accelerated or additional monitoring as necessary to determine the nature and impact of the noncomplying discharge.
- 10. The discharger shall provide safeguards to assure that should there be reduction, loss, or failure of electric power, the discharger will comply with the requirements of this Order.

- 11. The discharger shall, at all times, properly operate and maintain all facilities and systems of treatment and control including sludge use, disposal facilities, and related appurtenances which are installed or used by the discharger to achieve compliance with this Order. Proper operation and maintenance includes adequate laboratory controls, appropriate quality assurance procedures, effective performance, adequate funding, adequate staffing and training, and adequate process controls. This provision requires the operation of back up or auxiliary facilities or similar systems, which are installed by a discharger only when the operation is necessary to achieve compliance with the requirements of this Order.
- 12. The discharger shall update as necessary, the "Operation and Maintenance Manual (O&M Manual)" which it has developed for the Carbon Canyon Facility to conform with latest plant changes and requirements. The O&M Manual shall be readily available to operating personnel onsite. The O&M Manual shall include the following:
  - a. Description of the treatment plant table of organization showing the number of employees, duties and qualifications and plant attendance schedules (daily, weekends and holidays, part-time, etc). The description should include documentation that the personnel are knowledgeable and qualified to operate the treatment facility so as to achieve the required level of treatment at all times.
  - b. Detailed description of safe and effective operation and maintenance of treatment processes, process control instrumentation and equipment.
  - c. Description of laboratory and quality assurance procedures.
  - d. Process and equipment inspection and maintenance schedules.
  - e. Description of safeguards to assure that, should there be reduction, loss, or failure of electric power, the discharger will be able to comply with requirements of this Order.
  - f. Description of preventive (fail-safe) and contingency (response and cleanup) plans for controlling accidental discharges, and for minimizing the effect of such events. These plans shall identify the possible sources (such as loading and storage areas, power outage, waste treatment unit failure, process equipment failure, tank and piping failure) of accidental discharges, untreated or partially treated waste bypass, and polluted drainage.
- 13. The discharger's wastewater treatment plant shall be supervised and operated by persons possessing certificates of appropriate grade pursuant to Title 23, Division 3, Chapter 14, California Code of Regulations.
- 14. The discharge of any radiological, chemical, or biological warfare agent or high level radiological waste is prohibited.

- 15. The provisions of this Order are severable, and if any provision of this Order, or the application of any provisions of this Order to any circumstance, is held invalid, the application of such provision to other circumstances, and the remainder of this Order shall not be affected thereby.
- 16. The filing of a request by the discharger for modification, revocation and re-issuance, or termination of this Order or a notification of planned changes or anticipated noncompliance does not stay any requirements of this Order.
- 17. The requirements prescribed herein do not authorize the commission of any act causing injury to the property of another, nor protect the discharger from liabilities under federal, state, or local laws, nor guarantee the discharger a capacity right in the receiving waters.
- 18. This Order does not convey any property rights of any sort, or any exclusive privilege.
- 19. This Order is not transferable to any person except after notice to, and approval by the Executive Officer. The Regional Board may require modification or revocation and reissuance of this Order to change the name of the discharger and incorporate such other requirements as may be necessary under the CWA.
- 20. Collected screenings, sludge, and other solids removed from liquid wastes shall be disposed of in a manner approved by the Regional Board's Executive Officer.
- 21. If the discharger demonstrates a correlation between the biological oxygen demand (BOD) and total organic carbon (TOC) concentrations in the effluent to the satisfaction of the Executive Officer, compliance with the BOD limits contained in this Order may be determined based on analyses of the TOC of the effluent.
- 22. In the event of any change in control or ownership of land or waste discharge facility presently owned or controlled by the discharger, the discharger shall notify the succeeding owner or operator of the existence of this Order by letter, a copy of which shall be forwarded to the Regional Board.
- 23. It shall not be a defense for a discharger in an enforcement action that it would have been necessary to halt or reduce the permitted activity in order to maintain compliance with the requirements of this Order.
- 24. Bypass (the intentional diversion of waste streams from any portion of a treatment facility or collection system) is prohibited unless it is permitted under the terms of this Order. The Regional Board may take enforcement action against the discharger for unpermitted bypass unless:

- a. Bypass was unavoidable to prevent loss of life, personal injury, or severe property damage. (Severe property damage means substantial physical damage to property, damage to the treatment facilities that causes them to become inoperable, or substantial and permanent loss of natural resources that can reasonably be expected to occur in the absence of a bypass. Severe property damage does not mean economic loss caused by delays in production.);
- b. There was no feasible alternative to bypass, such as the use of auxiliary treatment facilities, retention of untreated waste, or maintenance during normal periods of equipment down time. This condition is not satisfied if adequate back-up equipment should have been installed in the exercise of reasonable engineering judgment to prevent a bypass that could occur during normal periods of equipment down time or preventive maintenance; and
- c. The discharger submitted a notice to the Regional Board at least ten days in advance of the need for a bypass. The discharger may allow a bypass to occur that does not cause effluent limitations to be exceeded, but only if the by-pass is required for essential maintenance to assure efficient operation, and neither effluent nor receiving water limitations are exceeded. In such a case, the above bypass conditions are not applicable. The discharger shall promptly notify the Regional Board and the EPA within 24 hours of each such bypass.
- 25. The Regional Board, EPA, and other authorized representatives shall be allowed:
  - a. Entry upon premises where a regulated facility or activity is located or conducted, or where records are kept under the requirements of this Order;
  - b. Access to copy any records that are kept under the requirements of this Order;
  - c. To inspect any facility, equipment (including monitoring and control equipment), practices, or operations regulated or required under this Order; and
  - d. To photograph, sample and monitor for the purpose of assuring compliance with this Order, or as otherwise authorized by the CWA.

## J. PERMIT RE-OPENING, REVISION, REVOCATION, AND RE-ISSUANCE:

- 1. This Order may be modified, revoked and reissued, or terminated for cause.
- 2. This Order may be reopened to address any changes in State or federal plans, policies or regulations that would affect the quality requirements for the discharges.
- 3. This Order may be reopened to include effluent limitations for pollutants determined to be present in the discharge in concentrations that pose a reasonable potential to cause or contribute to violations of water quality objectives.

- 4. This Order may be reopened if the Regional Board or the discharger develops different site-specific total-to-dissolved ratios for cadmium, copper, lead, or any other constituent, which are acceptable to the Regional Board's Executive Officer.
- 5. This Order may be reopened and modified in accordance with the requirements set forth at 40 CFR 122 and 124, to include the appropriate conditions or limits to address demonstrated effluent toxicity based on newly available information, or to implement any EPA-approved new State water quality standards applicable to effluent toxicity.
- 6. This Order may be reopened to incorporate appropriate biosolids requirements if the State Water Resources Control Board and the Regional Water Quality Control Board are given the authority to implement regulations contained in 40 CFR 503.
- 7. This Order may be reopened to include an appropriate bioaccumulation based effluent limit for mercury when scientifically defensible guidance is developed to translate methylmercury in fish tissue to total mercury in effluent discharges.
- 8. This Order may be reopened and modified in accordance with the requirements set forth at 40 CFR 122 and 124, to include the appropriate conditions or limits to address demonstrated effluent toxicity based on newly available information, or to implement any EPA-approved new State water quality standards applicable to effluent toxicity.
- I, Gerard J. Thibeault, Executive Officer, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of an order adopted by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Santa Ana Region, on July 1, 2003.

Gerard J. Thibeault
Executive Officer

# California Regional Water Quality Control Board Santa Ana Region

# MONITORING AND REPORTING PROGRAM NO. R8-2003-0003 NPDES NO. CA8000402

for the

Inland Empire Utilities Agency
Regional Water Recycling Plant No. 5
Chino
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# **A.** MONITORING AND REPORTING REQUIREMENTS:

- 1. All sampling and sample preservation shall be in accordance with the current edition of "Standard Methods for the Examination of Water and Wastewater" (American Public Health Association).
- 2. All laboratory analyses shall be performed in accordance with test procedures under 40 CFR 136 (latest edition) "Guidelines Establishing Test Procedures for the Analysis of Pollutants," promulgated by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), unless otherwise specified in this monitoring and reporting program (M&RP). In addition, the Regional Board and/or EPA, at their discretion, may specify test methods which are more sensitive than those specified in 40 CFR 136.
- 3. Chemical, bacteriological, and bioassay analyses shall be conducted at a laboratory certified for such analyses by the State Department of Health Services or EPA or at laboratories approved by the Regional Board's Executive Officer.
- 4. In conformance with federal regulations 40 CFR 122.45(c), analyses to determine compliance with the effluent limitations for metals shall be conducted using the total recoverable method. For Chromium (VI), the dissolved method in conformance with 40 CFR 136 may be used to measure compliance with the Chromium (VI) limitation.
- 5. For effluent and ambient receiving water monitoring:

- a. The discharger shall require its testing laboratory to calibrate the analytical system down to the minimum level (ML)<sup>1</sup> specified in Attachment "A" for priority pollutants with effluent limitations in this Order, unless an alternative minimum level is approved by the Regional Board's Executive Officer. When there is more than one ML value for a given substance, the discharger shall use the ML values, and their associated analytical methods, listed in Attachment "A" that are below the calculated effluent limitation. The discharger may select any one of those cited analytical methods for compliance determination. If no ML value is below the effluent limitation, then the lowest ML value, and its associated analytical method, listed in Attachment "A" shall be used. Any internal quality control data associated with the sample must be reported when requested by the Executive Officer. The Regional Board will reject the quantified laboratory data if quality control data is unavailable or unacceptable.
- b. The discharger shall report the results of analytical determinations for the presence of chemical constituents in a sample using the following reporting protocols:
  - 1) Sample results greater than or equal to the reported ML shall be reported as measured by the laboratory (i.e., the measured chemical concentration in the sample).
  - 2) Sample results less than the reported ML, but greater than or equal to the laboratory's current Method Detection Limit (MDL)<sup>2</sup>, shall be reported as "Detected, but Not Quantified," or "DNQ." The estimated chemical concentration of the sample shall also be reported.
  - 3) Sample results not detected above the laboratory's MDL shall be reported as "not detected" or "ND."
- c. The discharger shall submit to the Regional Board reports necessary to determine compliance with effluent limitations for priority pollutants in this Order and shall follow the chemical nomenclature and sequential order of constituents shown in Attachment "B" Priority Pollutant Lists The discharger shall report with each sample result

Minimum level is the concentration at which the entire analytical system must give a recognizable signal and acceptable point. The ML is the concentration in a sample that is equivalent to the concentration of the lowest calibration standard analyzed by a specific analytical procedure, assuming that all the method specified sample weights, volumes, and processing steps have been followed.

MDL is the minimum concentration of a substance that can be measured and reported with 99 percent confidence that the analytical concentration is greater than zero, as defined in 40 CFR 136, Appendix B, revised as of May 14, 1999.

- 1) The ML or PQL<sup>3</sup> listed in Attachment "C" achieved by the testing laboratory; and
- 2) The laboratory's current MDL, as determined by the procedure found in 40 CFR 136 (revised as of May 14, 1999).
- d. For receiving water monitoring and for those priority pollutants without effluent limitations, the discharger shall require its testing laboratory to quantify constituent concentrations to the lowest achievable MDL as determined by the procedure found in 40 CFR 136 (revised as of May 14, 1999). In situations where the most stringent applicable receiving water objective (freshwater or human health (consumption of organisms only), as specified for that pollutant in 40 CFR 131.38<sup>4</sup>) is below the minimum level value specified in Attachment "A" and the discharger cannot achieve an MDL value for that pollutant below the ML value, the discharger shall submit justification why a lower MDL value cannot be achieved. Justification shall be submitted together with monthly monitoring reports.
- 6. For non-priority pollutants monitoring, all analytical data shall be reported with identification of practical quantitation levels and with method detection limits, as determined by the procedure found in 40 CFR 136 (revised as of May 14, 1999).
- 7. The discharger shall have, and implement an acceptable written quality assurance (QA) plan for laboratory analyses. Duplicate chemical analyses must be conducted on a minimum of ten percent (10%) of the samples, or at least one sample per month, whichever is greater. A similar frequency shall be maintained for analyzing spiked samples. When requested by the Regional Board or EPA, the discharger will participate in the NPDES discharge monitoring report QA performance study.
- 8. Discharge monitoring data shall be submitted in a format acceptable by the Regional Board and EPA. Specific reporting format may include preprinted forms and/or electronic media. The results of all monitoring required by this Order shall be reported to the Regional Board, and shall be submitted in such a format as to allow direct comparison with the limitations and requirements of this Order. The hard copy of submitted reports shall serve as the official submittal.
- 9. The discharger shall tabulate the monitoring data to clearly illustrate compliance and/or noncompliance with the requirements of the Order.

PQL is the lowest concentration of a substance which can be determined within  $\pm$  20 percent of the true concentration by 75 percent of the analytical laboratories tested in a performance evaluation study. Alternatively, if performance data are not available, the PQL is the method detection limit (MDL) x 5 for carcinogens and MDL x 10 for noncarcinogens.

See Federal Register/Vol. 65, No. 97 / Thursday, May 18, 2000 / Rules and Regulations.

10. The discharger shall multiply each measured or estimated congener concentration by its respective toxic equivalency factor (TEF) as shown below and report the sum of these values. The discharger shall use the U.S. EPA approved test method 1613 for dioxins and furans. The discharger shall report the analytical results of the monitoring for each congener, including the quantifiable limit (approved reporting limit) and the method detection limit, and the measured or estimated concentration.

Toxic Equivalency Factors for 2,3,7, 8-TCDD Equivalents		
Congener	TEF	
2,3,7,8-TetraCDD	1	
1,2,3,7,8-PentaCDD	1.0	
1,2,3,4,7,8-HexaCDD	0.1	
1,2,3,6,7,8-HexaCDD	0.1	
1,2,3,7,8,9-HexaCDD	0.1	
1,2,3,4,6,7,8-HeptaCDD	0.01	
OctaCDD	0.0001	
2,3,7,8-TetraCDF	0.1	
1,2,3,7,8-PentaCDF	0.05	
2,3,4,7,8-PentaCDF	0.5	
1,2,3,4,7,8-HexaCDF	0.1	
1,2,3,6,7,8-HexaCDF	0.1	
1,2,3,7,8,9-HexaCDF	0.1	
2,3,4,6,7,8-HexaCDF	0.1	
1,2,3,4,6,7,8-HeptaCDF	0.01	
1,2,3,4,7,8,9-HeptaCDF	0.01	
OctaCDF	0.0001	

- 11. For every item of monitoring data where the requirements are not met, the monitoring report shall include a statement discussing the reasons for noncompliance, and of the actions undertaken or proposed which will bring the discharge into full compliance with requirements at the earliest time, and an estimate of the date when the discharger will be in compliance. The discharger shall notify the Regional Board by letter when compliance with the time schedule has been achieved.
- 12. The monthly reports for June and December shall include a roster of plant personnel, including job titles, duties, and level of State certification for each individual.

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- 13. By April 1 of each year, the discharger shall submit an annual report to the Regional Board. The report shall contain both tabular and graphical summaries of the monitoring data obtained during the previous year. In addition, the discharger shall discuss the compliance record and the corrective actions taken or planned, which may be needed to bring the discharge into full compliance with the waste discharge requirements. The annual report shall include a summary of the quality assurance (QA) activities for the previous year.
- 14. The discharger shall assure that records of all monitoring information are maintained and accessible for a period of at least five years from the date of the sample, report, or application. This period of retention shall be extended during the course of any unresolved litigation regarding this discharge or by the request of the Regional Board at any time. Records of monitoring information shall include:
  - a. The date, exact place, and time of sampling or measurements;
  - b. The individual(s) who performed the sampling, and/or measurements;
  - c. The date(s) analyses were performed;
  - d. The individual(s) who performed the analyses;
  - e. The analytical techniques or methods used, including any modification to those methods;
  - f. All sampling and analytical results, including
    - 1) units of measurement used;
    - 2) minimum reporting limit for the analysis (minimum level, practical quantitation level (PQL));
    - results less than the reporting limit but above the method detection limit (MDL);
    - 4) data qualifiers and a description of the qualifiers;
    - 5) quality control test results (and a written copy of the laboratory quality assurance plan);
    - 6) dilution factors, if used; and
    - 7) sample matrix type; and
  - g. All monitoring equipment calibration and maintenance records;
  - h. All original strip charts from continuous monitoring devices;
  - i. All data used to complete the application for this Order; and,
  - j. Copies of all reports required by this Order.
  - k. Electronic data. and information generated by the Supervisory Control And Data Acquisition (SCADA) System.
- 15. The flow measurement system shall be calibrated at least once per year or more frequently, to ensure continued accuracy.

- 16. All monitoring instruments and devices used by the discharger to fulfill the prescribed monitoring program shall be properly maintained and calibrated as necessary to ensure their continued accuracy. In the event that continuous monitoring equipment is out of service for greater than a 24 hour period, the discharger shall obtain a representative grab sample each day the equipment is out of service. The discharger shall correct the cause(s) of failure of the continuous monitoring equipment as soon as practicable. In its monitoring report, the discharger shall specify the period(s) during which the equipment was out of service and if the problem has not been corrected, shall identify the steps which the discharger is taking or proposes to take to bring the equipment back into service and the schedule for these actions.
- 17. Monitoring and reporting shall be in accordance with the following:
  - a. Samples and measurements taken for the purpose of monitoring shall be representative of the monitored activity.
  - b. The monitoring and reporting of influent, effluent, and sludge shall be done, at a minimum, on an annual basis, and more frequently, depending on the nature and effect of the sewage sludge use or disposal practice, or as specified in this Order.
  - c. All monitoring, including that of sludge use or disposal, must be conducted according to test procedures approved under 40 CFR 136 or as specified in this Order.
  - d. The results of any analysis of samples taken more frequently than required at the locations specified in this M&RP shall be reported to the Regional Board.
  - e. A "grab" sample is defined as any individual sample collected in less than 15 minutes.
  - f. A composite sample is defined as a combination of no fewer than eight individual grab samples obtained over the specified sampling period. The volume of each individual grab sample shall be proportional to the discharge flow rate at the time of sampling. The compositing period shall equal the specific sampling period, or 24 hours, if no period is specified.
  - g. Daily samples shall be collected on each day of the week.
  - h. Monthly samples shall be collected on any representative day of each month.
  - i. Quarterly samples shall be collected in March, June, September, and December.
  - j. Semi-annual samples shall be collected in June and December.

k. Annual samples shall be collected in accordance with the following schedule:

Year	Annual Samples
2003	October
2004	January
2005	April
2006	July
2007	October

- 18. All reports shall be signed by either a principal executive officer or ranking elected or appointed official or a duly authorized representative of a principal executive officer or ranking elected or appointed official. A duly authorized representative of a principal executive officer or ranking elected or appointed official may sign the reports only if;
  - a. the authorization is made in writing by a principal executive officer or ranking elected or appointed official,
  - b. the authorization specifies either an individual or a position having responsibility for the overall operation of the regulated facility or activity, such as the position of plant manager, superintendent, or position of equivalent responsibility. (A duly authorized representative may thus be either a named individual or any individual occupying a named position), and
  - c. the written authorization is submitted to the Regional Board.

Each person signing a report required by this Order or other information requested by the Regional Board shall make the following certification:

"I certify under penalty of law that this document and all attachments were prepared under my direction or supervision in accordance with a system designed to assure that qualified personnel properly gather and evaluate the information submitted. Based on my inquiry of the person or persons who manage the system, or those persons directly responsible for gathering the information, the information submitted is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true, accurate<sup>5</sup>, and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment for knowing violations."

For the purposes of this certification the term "accurate" refers to the veracity of the information submittal and not to the performance characteristics of the measurement system.

- 19. The discharger, unless otherwise specified elsewhere in this M&RP, shall deliver a copy of each monitoring report in the appropriate format to:
  - a. California Regional Water Quality Control Board Santa Ana Region
     3737 Main Street, Suite 500 Riverside, CA 92501-3348, and
  - b. NPDES/DMR
     CWA Compliance Office, WTR-7
     Water Division
     75 Hawthorne Street
     San Francisco, CA 94105

### B. <u>INFLUENT MONITORING</u>:

- 1. Sampling stations shall be established and located upstream of any in-plant return flows<sup>6</sup> and where a representative sample of the influent to the treatment facility can be obtained. If there are several sampling stations where representative samples of the influent to the treatment facility are to be taken and if composite samples are planned, samples shall be composite according to flow. The date and time of sampling (as appropriate) shall be reported with the analytical values determined.
- 2. The following shall constitute the influent monitoring program:

Constituent	Units	Type of Sample	Minimum Frequency of Sampling & Analysis
Flow	mgd	Recorder/Totalizer	Continuous
Specific Conductance	μmhos/cm	Recorder	"
рН	pH units	Recorder	Continuous
TOC	mg/l	Composite	Weekly
Suspended Solids	mg/l	Composite	Weekly
Total Dissolved Solids	"	Composite	"
Ammonia-Nitrogen	"	Grab	"
Total Inorganic Nitrogen	mg/l	"	Weekly

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Constituent	Units	Type of Sample	Minimum Frequency of Sampling & Analysis
Bis (2-ethylhexyl) phthalate	μg/l	Grab	Monthly
Chlorpyrifos	"	"	"
Diazinon	11	"	11
Hexachlorocyclohexane – gamma (Lindane)	11	"	Monthly
Copper	μg/l	Composite	Monthly
Selenium		cc	"
Cadmium	11	"	11
Lead	11	"	11
Cyanide (Free)	μg/l	Grab	
Boron	mg/l	Composite	Quarterly
Chloride	11	"	"
Fluoride	11	"	11
Sulfate	11	"	11
Total Hardness	mg/l	"	11
Arsenic	μg/l	"	11
Total Chromium	"	"	"
Mercury	"	"	"
Nickel	"	"	"
Silver	"	"	11
Zinc	"	"	"
Volatile organic portion of remaining EPA Priority Pollutants <sup>7</sup> (See Attachment "B")	μg/l	Grab	Annually

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Remaining EPA priority pollutants are those pollutants listed in Attachment "B" which are not specifically listed in the monitoring program table.

Constituent	Units	Type of Sample	Minimum Frequency of Sampling & Analysis
Remaining EPA Priority Pollutants <sup>8</sup> (See Attachment "B")	μg/l	Composite	Annually

## c. EFFLUENT MONITORING:

- 1. Sampling station(s) shall be established at the point(s) of discharge and shall be located where representative samples of the effluent can be obtained.
- 2. The following shall constitute the effluent monitoring program for the discharge of tertiary treated wastewater without 20:1 dilution:

Constituent	Units	Type of Sample	Minimum Frequency of Analysis
Flow	mgd	Recorder/Totalizer	Continuous
Specific Conductance	μmhos/cm	Recorder	"
pН	pH units	"	"
Chlorine (Combined Residual)	mg/l	"	"
CT	mg-minutes/l	<b>دد</b>	cc
Turbidity Four-hour Results Daily Average Daily 95th Percentile	NTU <sup>9</sup>	Recorder	See note (1), below
Coliform Organisms	MPN/100mL <sup>10</sup>	Grab	Daily (see note (2), below)
TOC	mg/l	Composite	Daily
Temperature	mg/l °C	Grab	Weekly
$BOD_5$	mg/l	Composite	Daily
Suspended Solids	"	Composite	Daily
Ammonia-Nitrogen	"	Grab	Weekly
Toxicity Monitoring		(See Section D., Below)	(See Section D., Below)
Bicarbonate	mg/l	Composite	Monthly
Boron	mg/l	Composite	Monthly
Calcium	11	"	"

Remaining EPA priority pollutants are those pollutants listed in Attachment "B" which are not volatile organics and pollutants not specifically listed in this monitoring program table.

<sup>9</sup> NTU = Nephelometric Turbidity Units.

MPN/100mL = Most Probable Number per 100 milliliters

Constituent	Units	Type of Sample	Minimum Frequency of Analysis
Carbonate	11	"	"
Chloride	11	"	"
Fluoride	11	"	"
Magnesium	11	"	"
Nitrate	11	"	"
Sodium	11	"	"
Sulfate	11	"	"
Total Dissolved Solids	11	"	"
Total Hardness	11	"	"
Total Inorganic Nitrogen	mg/l	"	"
Iron	μg/l	Composite	Monthly
Manganese	11	"	"
Cadmium	11	"	"
Chromium (VI) or Total Chromium	"	"	"
Copper	"	"	"
Cyanide (free)	"	Grab	
Lead	"	Composite	11
Mercury	"	"	11
Selenium	"	"	"
Silver	11	"	"
Zinc	11	"	"
Bis (2-ethylhexyl) phthalate	"	Grab	Monthly (see C.5., below)
Hexachlorocyclohexane- gamma	μg/l	"	· ·
Tetrachloroethylene	<b>دد</b>	Grab	"
Endusulfan I	<b>د</b> د	Grab	"
Halomethanes <sup>11</sup>	μg/l	Grab	Quarterly (see C.5., below)
Arsenic	μg/l	Composite	"
Barium	"	"	"
Benzene	"	"	"
Cobalt	"	"	"
Nickel	"	"	"
Phenol	"	"	"
Acrylonitrile	"	11	"
Benzidine	"	"	"
Benzo (a) anthracene	μg/l	Composite	Quarterly (see C.5., below)
Benzo (a) pyrene	"	"	"

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Halomethanes shall mean the sum of bromoform, bromomethane (methyl bromide), chloromethane (methyl chloride), chlorodibromomethane, and dichlorobromomethane.

Constituent	Units	Type of Sample	Minimum Frequency of Analysis
Benzo (b) fluoranthene	"	"	"
Benzo (k) fluorantene	"	"	"
Chrysene	"	"	"
Dibenzo (a,h) anthracene	"	'I'	"
3,3-Dichlorobenzidine	"	"	"
1,2-Diphenylhydrazine	"	"	"
Hexachlorobenzene	"	"	"
Indeno(1,2,3-cd)Pyrene	"	"	"
Aldrin	"	"	"
BHC Alpha	11	"	"
Chlordane	"	"	"
4,4-DDT	"	"	"
4,4-DDE	"	'I'	"
4,4-DDD	"	"	"
Dieldrin	"	"	"
Endrin	"	'I'	"
Endrinaldehyde	"	'I'	"
Heptachlor	"	'I'	"
Heptachlor Epoxide	11	II .	"
PCB 1016	"	"	"
PCB 1221	"	'I'	"
PCB 1232	"	'I'	"
PCB 1242	"	"	"
PCB 1248	"	"	"
PCB 1254	"	"	"
PCB 1260	"	"	"
Toxaphene	"	"	"
2,3,7,8-TetraCDD	ρg/l (parts-per- quadrillion)	Composite	Semi-annual (see A.10. & A.17.j.)
1,2,3,7,8-PentaCDD	"	"	"
1,2,3,4,7,8-HexaCDD	"	"	"
1,2,3,6,7,8-HexaCDD	"	"	"
1,2,3,7,8,9-HexaCDD	"	'I'	"
1,2,3,4,6,7,8-HeptaCDD	"	'I'	"
OctaCDD	"	"	"
2,3,7,8-TetraCDF	"	'I'	"
1,2,3,7,8-PentaCDF	"	"	"
2,3,4,7,8-PentaCDF	"	"	"
1,2,3,4,7,8-HexaCDF	"	"	"
1,2,3,6,7,8-HexaCDF	"	"	"
1,2,3,7,8,9-HexaCDF	"	"	"
2,3,4,6,7,8-HexaCDF	ρg/l (parts-per- quadrillion)	Composite	Semi-annual (see A.10. & A.17.j.)
1,2,3,4,6,7,8-HeptaCDF	"	"	"

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Constituent	Units	Type of Sample	Minimum Frequency of Analysis
1,2,3,4,7,8,9-HeptaCDF	"	"	"
OctaCDF	ρg/l (parts-per- quadrillion)	Composite	Semi-annual (see A.10 & A.17.j.)
Volatile organic portion of remaining EPA Priority Pollutants <sup>7</sup> (See Attachment "B")	μg/l	Grab	Annually (see C.6., below)
Remaining EPA Priority Pollutants <sup>8</sup> (See Attachment "B")	μg/l	Composite	Annually (see C.6., below)

#### Notes:

- (1) Turbidity analysis shall be continuous, performed by a continuous recording turbidimeter. Compliance with the daily average operating filter effluent turbidity shall be determined by averaging the levels of recorded turbidity taken at a minimum of four-hour intervals over a 24-hour period. The results of the daily average turbidity determinations shall be reported monthly. Turbidity measurements shall be taken, immediately after filtration.
- (2) Samples for total coliform bacteria shall be collected at least daily. Samples shall be taken from the disinfected effluent.
- 3. The following shall constitute the effluent monitoring program for the discharge of secondary treated and disinfected wastewater when 20:1 dilution is present in the receiving water:

FOR DISCHARGES WHEN 20:1 DILUTION IS PRESENT IN THE RECEIVING WATERS				
Constituent	Units	Type of Sample	Minimum Frequency of Sampling and Analysis	
Flow	MGD	Recorder/Totalizer	Continuous	
CT	mg-minutes/l	Recorder	··	
Chlorine Residual	mg/l	cc	"	
Suspended Solids	mg/l	grab	Daily	
BOD <sub>5</sub>	"	"	"	
рН	pH units	"	"	
Total Coliform	MPN/100ml	grab	Daily	
Total Dissolved Solids	mg/l	cc	Monthly	
Total Hardness	"	grab	Monthly	

- 4. Whenever there is a discharge of secondary treated and disinfected wastewater, the discharger shall submit documentation that 20:1 dilution existed in Santa Ana River at the time of the discharge. Documentation shall include the date(s), time(s), and duration(s) of the discharge, the corresponding flow in the receiving stream during the discharge, and the climatic condition in the area during the discharge. This documentation shall be submitted with the required monthly report.
- 5. The monitoring frequency for those priority pollutants that are detected during the required quarterly monitoring at a concentration greater than fifty percent of the most stringent applicable receiving water objectives (freshwater or human health (consumption of organisms only) as specified for that pollutant12 in 40 CFR 131.38<sup>13</sup>) shall be accelerated to monthly. To return to the monitoring frequency specified, the discharger shall request and receive approval from the Regional Board's Executive Officer or designee.
- 6. The monitoring frequency for those priority pollutants that are detected during the required annual monitoring at a concentration greater than fifty percent of the most stringent applicable receiving water objectives (freshwater or human health (consumption of organisms only) as specified for that pollutant<sup>12</sup> in 40 CFR 131.38<sup>13</sup>) shall be accelerated to quarterly for one year following detection. To return to the monitoring frequency specified, the discharger shall request and receive approval from the Regional Board's Executive Officer or designee.
- 7. The monitoring frequency for this priority pollutant shall be reduced to quarterly if after one year of monitoring there are no detected values at a concentration greater than eighty percent of the most stringent applicable receiving water objectives (freshwater or human health (consumption of organisms only) as specified for that pollutant<sup>12</sup> in 40 CFR 131.38<sup>13</sup>). To reduce the monitoring frequency to quarterly, the discharger shall request and receive approval from the Regional Board's Executive Officer or designee.

#### D. TOXICITY MONITORING REQUIREMENTS:

- 1. The discharger shall conduct critical life stage chronic toxicity testing in accordance with Method 1002.0 Survival and Reproduction test for water flea, Ceriodaphnia dubia as specified in "Short-term Methods for Estimating the Chronic Toxicity of Effluents and Receiving Waters to Freshwater Organisms", Fourth Edition, Environmental Monitoring Systems Laboratory, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency 2002, Cincinnati, Ohio (October 2002, EPA-821-R-02-013).
- 2. The discharger shall establish procedures to ensure that the toxicity testing laboratory notifies the discharger of the results of toxicity testing within twenty-four hours of completing such tests.

<sup>12</sup> For those priority pollutants without specified criteria values, accelerated monitoring is not required.

See Federal Register/Vol. 65, No. 97 / Thursday, May 18, 2000 / Rules and Regulations.

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- 3. A minimum of one monthly chronic toxicity test shall be conducted on 24-hour composite samples.
- 4. The discharger shall increase the frequency of chronic toxicity testing to every two weeks whenever any test result exceeds 1.0 TUc. The first test under the accelerated schedule shall be conducted within two weeks of receiving notice of the test which exceeds 1.0 TUc, and every two weeks thereafter. The discharger may resume the regular test schedule when two consecutive chronic toxicity tests result in 1.0 TUc, or when the results of the Initial Investigation Reduction Evaluation conducted by the discharger have adequately addressed the identified toxicity problem.
- 5. The presence of chronic toxicity shall be estimated as specified in Short-Term Methods for Estimating the Chronic Toxicity of Effluents and Receiving Waters to Freshwater Organisms. Fourth Edition. EPA-821-R-02-013.
- 6. Results for both survival and reproduction endpoints shall be reported in TUc, where TUc = 100/NOEC or 100/IC<sub>p</sub> or EC<sub>p</sub> (p is the percent effluent). The no observed effect concentration (NOEC) is the highest concentration of toxicant to which organisms are exposed in a chronic test, that causes no observable adverse effect on the tests organisms (e.g., the highest concentration of toxicant to which the values for the observed responses are not statistically significant different from the controls). The inhibition concentration (IC) is a point estimate of the toxicant concentration that causes a given percent reduction in a non-quantal biological measurement (e.g., reproduction or growth) calculated from a continuous model (the EPA Interpolation Method). The effective concentration (EC) is a point estimate of the toxicant concentration that would cause a given percent reduction in quantal biological measurement (e.g., larval development, survival) calculated from a continuous model (e.g., probit).
- 7. Additional Testing Requirements.
  - a. A series of at least five dilutions and a control will be tested. The series shall be within 60% to 100% effluent concentration.
  - b. If organisms are not cultured in-house, concurrent testing with reference toxicants shall be conducted. Where organisms are cultured in-house, monthly reference toxicant testing is sufficient. Reference toxicants shall also be conducted using the same test conditions as the effluent toxicity test (e.g., same test duration, etc).
  - c. If either of the reference toxicant test or the effluent tests do not meet all test acceptability criteria as specified in the manual<sup>14</sup>, then the discharger must resample and re-test within 14 days or as soon as the discharger receives notification of failed tests.

Refers to USEPA Manual "Short-Term Methods for Estimating the Chronic Toxicity of Effluents and Receiving Waters to Freshwater Organisms. Fourth Edition. EPA-821-R-02-013.

d. Control and dilution water should be receiving water or lab water, as appropriate, as described in the manual. If the dilution water used is different from the culture water, a second control, using culture water shall also be used.

# 8. Quality Assurance/Control:

- a. A quality assurance/quality control (QA/QC) program shall be instituted to verify the results of the effluent toxicity monitoring program. The QA/QC program shall include but shall not be limited to the following: (1) Selection of an independent testing laboratory; (2) Approval by the Regional Board's Executive Officer or Executive Officer's designee of the independent testing laboratory; (3) Once during the year, the discharger shall split samples with the independent laboratory for conducting chronic toxicity testing; (4) Results from the independent laboratory shall be submitted to the Regional Board and the discharger for evaluation; (5) The discharger shall review the test acceptability criteria in accordance with the EPA test protocols, EPA-821-R-02-013.
- b. Results from the independent laboratory of the annual QA/QC split samples are to be used for Quality Assurance/Quality Control (QA/QC) purposes only and not for purposes of determining compliance with other requirements of this Order.
- 9. The use of alternative methods for measuring chronic toxicity may be considered by the Executive Officer on a case—by-case basis. The use of a different test species, in lieu of conducting the required test species may be considered/approved by the Executive Officer on a case-by case basis upon submittal of the documentation supporting discharger's determination that a different species is more sensitive and appropriate.
- 10. Reporting: Results of all toxicity testing conducted within the month following the reporting period shall be submitted monthly in accordance with "Short-term Methods for Estimating the Chronic Toxicity of Effluents and Receiving Waters to Freshwater Organisms", Fourth Edition, Environmental Monitoring Systems Laboratory, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency 2002, Cincinnati, Ohio (October 2002, EPA-821-R-02-013). The report shall include a determination of the median value of all chronic toxicity testing results conducted during the two previous months.
- 11. Whenever an Initial Investigation Reduction Evaluation is conducted, the results of the evaluation shall be submitted upon completion. In addition, monthly status reports shall be submitted as part of the discharger's monitoring report for the previous month.

#### E. BIOSOLIDS MONITORING:

1. Biosolids monitoring shall be conducted as follows:

Biosolids Monitoring	Units	Type of Sample	Minimum Frequency of Sampling
Priority Pollutants as listed in Attachment "B"	mg/kg	Grab	Semi-annually
Moisture Content (% solid)	mg/kg	Grab	Quarterly

2. The discharger shall maintain a permanent log of solids hauled away from the treatment facilities for use/disposal elsewhere, including the date hauled, the volume or weight (in dry tons), type (screening, grit, raw sludge, biosolids), and destination. This information shall be reported quarterly.

#### F. RECEIVING WATER MONITORING:

1. The following receiving water stations shall be monitored for the indicated constituents:

**Station A:** Chino Creek at suitable location within 100 feet upstream of the point of discharge. **Station B:** Chino Creek within 500 feet downstream of the point of discharge.

<u>Constituent</u>	<u>Unit</u>	Type of Sample	Minimum Frequency of Analysis
Dissolved Oxygen	mg/l	Grab	Weekly
рН	pH units	"	"
Temperature	<sup>0</sup> C	"	"
Total Dissolved Solids	mg/l	"	Monthly
Total Hardness	mg/l	"	"

A check for the presence of any color changes, foam, deposition of material, or odor in the receiving water from the discharge shall be made daily at station B.

- 2. At station A, all the priority pollutants listed in Attachment "B" shall be monitored quarterly. A grab sample shall be taken, analyzed and test results shall be reported in micrograms/liter (ug/l) by the last day of the month following the monitoring period.
- 3. Unless otherwise directed by the Regional Board Executive Officer, the discharger shall implement the approved plan for the annual sampling and testing of mercury levels in fish flesh samples collected from the Santa Ana River (see Section C. 4. of the Order). The frequency of monitoring and submission of reports shall be as stipulated in the approved plan.

# G. WATER SUPPLY MONITORING:

1. In August of each year, a sample of each source of the water supplied to the sewered area shall be obtained and analyzed for the following constituents:

Boron	Specific Conductance
Chloride	Sodium
Fluoride	Total Dissolved Solids
Nitrate	Total Hardness
рН	

- 2. All of the above constituents shall be expressed in "mg/l" except specific conductance and pH, which shall be expressed in "micromhos/cm" and "pH units," respectively.
- 3. Monthly reports shall be submitted stating the amount (in percentage or acre-feet) supplied to the sewered area from each source of water and the resulting flow-weighted water supply quality for constituents specified in Section G.1. above.

### H. REPORTING:

1. Monitoring reports shall be submitted by the dates in the following schedule:

Report	Reporting	Report Due Date
Influent and effluent constituents	Monthly	By the 30th day of the month following the monitoring period
Receiving Water Monitoring	"	"
Toxicity Testing	See Section D., above	By the 30th day of the month following the monitoring period
Water Supply Quality	Monthly	دد
Biosolids Monitoring	Quarterly	cc
Fish Flesh Mercury Testing	Annually	April 1, each year
Annual Report per Section A.13., above	Annually	April 1, each year

Report	Reporting	Report Due Date
Annual Water Supply Parameters from each source	Annually	April 30 of each year

# 2. The following reports shall also be submitted by the dates indicated:

REQUIRED REPORTS OF ORDER NO. R8-2003-0003				
Report	Report Due Date			
Report per Section G.2.	October 1, 2003			
Report per Section G.3.	October 1, 2003			
Report per Section G.4.	October 1, 2003			
Report per Section G.5.	October 1, 2003			
Report per Section G.6.	October 1, 2003			
Report per Section G.7.	October 1, 2003			
Report per Section G.8.	See Section G. 8. of the Order			
Report per Section G.9.	See Section G. 9. of the Order			
Report per Section G.10.	See Section G.10. of the Order			
Report per Section G.11.	See Section G.11. of the Order			
Report per Section G.12.	Within 90-days, see Section G.12. of the Order			
Report per Section G.13.	180-days before any plant changes (see Section G.13. of the Order)			
Non-compliance Reporting per Section G.14.	within 24-hours followed by a written report within 5-days (see Section G.14. of the Order)			
This table attempts to summarize all of the special reports that are required to be submitted				

This table attempts to summarize all of the special reports that are required to be submitted in accordance with Order No. R8-2003-0003; however, the omission of a report from this table does not absolve the discharger from the requirement to submit that report.

Gerard J. Thibeault Executive Officer

July 1, 2003

# MINIMUM LEVELS IN PPB (μg/l)

Table 1- VOLATILE SUBSTANCES <sup>1</sup>	GC	GCMS
Acrolein	2.0	5
Acrylonitrile	2.0	2
Benzene	0.5	2
Bromoform	0.5	2
Carbon Tetrachloride	0.5	2
Chlorobenzene	0.5	2
Chlorodibromomethane	0.5	2
Chloroethane	0.5	2
Chloroform	0.5	2
Dichlorobromomethane	0.5	2
1,1 Dichloroethane	0.5	1
1,2 Dichloroethane	0.5	2
1,1 Dichloroethylene	0.5	2
1,2 Dichloropropane	0.5	1
1,3 Dichloropropylene (volatile)	0.5	2
Ethylbenzene	0.5	2
Methyl Bromide (Bromomethane )	1.0	2
Methyl Chloride (Chloromethane )	0.5	2
Methylene Chloride ( <i>Dichloromethane</i> )	0.5	2
1,1,2,2 Tetrachloroethane	0.5	1
Tetrachloroethylene	0.5	2
Toluene	0.5	2
trans-1,2 Dichloroethylene	0.5	1
1,1,1 Trichloroethane	0.5	2
1,1,2 Trichloroethane	0.5	2
Trichloroethylene	0.5	2
Vinyl Chloride	0.5	2
1,2 Dichlorobenzene (volatile)	0.5	2
1,3 Dichlorobenzene (volatile)	0.5	2
1,4 Dichlorobenzene (volatile)	0.5	2

### Selection and Use of Appropriate ML Value:

ML Selection: When there is more than one ML value for a given substance, the discharger may select any one of those ML values, and their associated analytical methods, listed in Attachment "A" that are below the calculated effluent limitation for compliance determination. If no ML value is below the effluent limitation, then the discharger shall select the lowest ML value, and its associated analytical method, listed in this Attachment "A".

ML Usage: The ML value in Attachment "A" represents the lowest quantifiable concentration in a sample based on the proper application of all method-based analytical procedures and the absence of any matrix interferences. Assuming that all method-specific analytical steps are followed, the ML value will also represent, after the appropriate application of method-specific factors, the lowest standard in the calibration curve for that specific analytical technique. Common analytical practices sometimes require different treatment of the sample relative to calibration standards.

Note: chemical names in parenthesis and italicized is another name for the constituent.

The normal method-specific factor for these substances is 1, therefore, the lowest standard concentration in the calibration curve is equal to the above ML value for each substance.

# MINIMUM LEVELS IN PPB (µg/l)

Table 2 – Semi-Volatile Substances <sup>2</sup>	GC	GCMS	LC
2-Chloroethyl vinyl ether	1	1	
2 Chlorophenol	2	5	
2,4 Dichlorophenol	1	5	
2,4 Dimethylphenol	1	2	
4,6 Dinitro-2-methylphenol	10	5	
2,4 Dinitrophenol	5	5	
2- Nitrophenol		10	
4- Nitrophenol	5	10	
4 Chloro-3-methylphenol	5	1	
2,4,6 Trichlorophenol	10	10	
Acenaphthene	1	1	0.5
Acenaphthylene		10	0.2
Anthracene		10	2
Benzidine		5	
Benzo (a) Anthracene (1,2 Benzanthracene)	10	5	
Benzo(a) pyrene (3,4 Benzopyrene)		10	2
Benzo (b) Flouranthene (3,4 Benzofluoranthene)		10	10
Benzo(g,h,i)perylene		5	0.1
Benzo(k)fluoranthene		10	2
bis 2-(1-Chloroethoxyl) methane		5	
bis(2-chloroethyl) ether	10	1	
bis(2-Chloroisopropyl) ether	10	2	
bis(2-Ethylhexyl) phthalate	10	5	
4-Bromophenyl phenyl ether	10	5	
Butyl benzyl phthalate	10	10	
2-Chloronaphthalene		10	
4-Chlorophenyl phenyl ether		5	
Chrysene		10	5
Dibenzo(a,h)-anthracene		10	0.1
1,2 Dichlorobenzene (semivolatile)	2	2	
1,3 Dichlorobenzene (semivolatile)	2	1	
1,4 Dichlorobenzene (semivolatile)	2	1	
3,3' Dichlorobenzidine		5	
Diethyl phthalate	10	2	
Dimethyl phthalate	10	2	
di-n-Butyl phthalate		10	
2,4 Dinitrotoluene	10	5	
2,6 Dinitrotoluene		5	
di-n-Octyl phthalate		10	
1,2 Diphenylhydrazine		1	
Fluoranthene	10	1	0.05
Fluorene		10	0.1
Hexachloro-cyclopentadiene	5	5	
1,2,4 Trichlorobenzene	1	5	

# MINIMUM LEVELS IN PPB (μg/l)

Table 2 - SEMI-VOLATILE SUBSTANCES <sup>2</sup>	GC	GCMS	LC	COLOR
Pentachlorophenol	1	5		
Phenol <sup>3</sup>	1	1		50
Hexachlorobenzene	5	1		
Hexachlorobutadiene	5	1		
Hexachloroethane	5	1		
Indeno(1,2,3,cd)-pyrene		10	0.05	
Isophorone	10	1		
Naphthalene	10	1	0.2	
Nitrobenzene	10	1		
N-Nitroso-dimethyl amine	10	5		
N-Nitroso -di n-propyl amine	10	5		
N-Nitroso diphenyl amine	10	1		
Phenanthrene		5	0.05	
Pyrene		10	0.05	

Table 3– INORGANICS <sup>4</sup>	FAA	GFAA	ICP	ICPM S	SPGF AA	HYDRID E	CVA A	COLO R	DCP
Antimony	10	5	50	0.5	5	0.5			1000
Arsenic		2	10	2	2	1		20	1000
Beryllium	20	0.5	2	0.5	1				1000
Cadmium	10	0.5	10	0.25	0.5				1000
Chromium (total)	50	2	10	0.5	1				1000
Chromium VI	5							10	
Copper	25	5	10	0.5	2				1000
Lead	20	5	5	0.5	2				10000
Mercury				0.5			0.2		
Nickel	50	5	20	1	5				1000
Selenium		5	10	2	5	1			1000
Silver	10	1	10	0.25	2				1000
Thallium	10	2	10	1	5				1000
Zinc	20		20	1	10				1000
Cyanide								5	

With the exception of phenol by colorimetric technique, the normal method-specific factor for these substances is 1000, therefore, the lowest standards concentration in the calibration curve is equal to the above ML value for each substance multiplied by 1000.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Phenol by colorimetric technique has a factor of 1

The normal method-specific factor for these substances is 1, therefore, the lowest standard concentration in the calibration curve is equal to the above ML value for each substance.

## MINIMUM LEVELS IN PPB (µg/l)

Table 4- PESTICIDES – PCBs <sup>5</sup>	GC
Aldrin	0.005
alpha-BHC (a-Hexachloro-cyclohexane)	0.01
beta-BHC (b-Hexachloro-cyclohexane)	0.005
Gamma–BHC (Lindane; g-Hexachloro-cyclohexane)	0.02
Delta-BHC (d-Hexachloro-cyclohexane)	0.005
Chlordane	0.1
4,4'-DDT	0.01
4,4'-DDE	0.05
4,4'-DDD	0.05
Dieldrin	0.01
Alpha-Endosulfan	0.02
Beta-Endosulfan	0.01
Endosulfan Sulfate	0.05
Endrin	0.01
Endrin Aldehyde	0.01
Heptachlor	0.01
Heptachlor Epoxide	0.01
PCB 1016	0.5
PCB 1221	0.5
PCB 1232	0.5
PCB 1242	0.5
PCB 1248	0.5
PCB 1254	0.5
PCB 1260	0.5
Toxaphene	0.5

### **Techniques:**

GC - Gas Chromatography

GCMS - Gas Chromatography/Mass Spectrometry

HRGCMS - High Resolution Gas Chromatography/Mass Spectrometry (i.e., EPA 1613, 1624, or 1625)

LC - High Pressure Liquid Chromatography

FAA - Flame Atomic Absorption

GFAA - Graphite Furnace Atomic Absorption

HYDRIDE - Gaseous Hydride Atomic Absorption

CVAA - Cold Vapor Atomic Absorption

ICP - Inductively Coupled Plasma

ICPMS - Inductively Coupled Plasma/Mass Spectrometry

SPGFAA - Stabilized Platform Graphite Furnace Atomic Absorption (i.e., EPA 200.9)

DCP - Direct Current Plasma

COLOR - Colorimetric

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The normal method-specific factor for these substances is 100, therefore, the lowest standard concentration in the calibration curve is equal to the above ML value for each substance multiplied by 100.

	EPA PRIORITY POLLUTANT LIST						
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	Metals		Acid Extractibles		ase/Neutral Extractibles (continuation)		
1.	Antimony	45.	2-Chlorophenol	91. 92.	Hexachloroethane		
2.	Arsenic	46.	2,4-Dichlorophenol		Indeno (1,2,3-cd) Pyrene		
3.	Beryllium	47.	2,4-Dimethylphenol	93.	Isophorone		
4.	Cadmium	48.	2-Methyl-4,6-Dinitrophenol	94.	Naphthalene		
5a.	Chromium (III)	49.	2,4-Dinitrophenol	95.	Nitrobenzene		
5b.	Chromium (VI)	50.	2-Nitrophenol	96.	N-Nitrosodimethylamine		
6.	Copper	51.	4-Nitrophenol	97.	N-Nitrosodi-N-Propylamine		
7.	Lead	52.	3-Methyl-4-Chlorophenol	98.	N-Nitrosodiphenylamine		
8.	Mercury	53.	Pentachlorophenol	99.	Phenanthrene		
9.	Nickel	54.	Phenol	100.	Pyrene		
10.	Selenium	55.	2, 4, 6 – Trichlorophenol	101.	1,2,4-Trichlorobenzene		
11.	Silver		Base/Neutral Extractibles		Pesticides		
12.	Thallium	56.	Acenaphthene	102.	Aldrin		
13.	Zinc	57.	Acenaphthylene	103.	Alpha BHC		
	Miscellaneous	58.	Anthracene	104.	Beta BHC		
14.	Cyanide	59.	Benzidine	105.	Delta BHC		
15.	Asbestos (not required unless requested)	60.	Benzo (a) Anthracene	106.	Gamma BHC		
16.	2,3,7,8-Tetrachlorodibenzo-P-Dioxin (TCDD)	61.	Benzo (a) Pyrene	107.	Chlordane		
	Volatile Organics	62.	Benzo (b) Fluoranthene	108.	4, 4' - DDT		
17.	Acrolein	63.	Benzo (g,h,i) Perylene	109.	4, 4' - DDE		
18.	Acrylonitrile	64.	Benzo (k) Fluoranthene	110.	4, 4' - DDD		
19.	Benzene	65.	Bis (2-Chloroethoxy) Methane	111.	Dieldrin		
20.	Bromoform	66.	Bis (2-Chloroethyl) Ether	112.	Alpha Endosulfan		
21.	Carbon Tetrachloride	67.	Bis (2-Chloroisopropyl) Ether	113.	Beta Endosulfan		
22.	Chlorobenzene	68.	Bis (2-Ethylhexyl) Phthalate	114.	Endosulfan Sulfate		
23.	Chlorodibromomethane	69.	4-Bromophenyl Phenyl Ether	115.	Endrin		
24.	Chloroethane	70.	Butylbenzyl Phthalate	116.	Endrin Aldehyde		
25.	2-Chloroethyl Vinyl Ether	71.	2-Chloronaphthalene	117.	Heptachlor		
26.	Chloroform	72.	4-Chlorophenyl Phenyl Ether	118.	Heptachlor Epoxide		
27.	Dichlorobromomethane	73.	Chrysene	119.	PCB 1016		
28.	1,1-Dichloroethane	74.	Dibenzo (a,h) Anthracene	120.	PCB 1221		
29.	1,2-Dichloroethane	75.	1,2-Dichlorobenzene	121.	PCB 1232		
30.	1,1-Dichloroethylene	76.	1,3-Dichlorobenzene	122.	PCB 1242		
31.	1,2-Dichloropropane	77.	1,4-Dichlorobenzene	123.	PCB 1248		
32.	1,3-Dichloropropylene	78.	3,3'-Dichlorobenzidine	124.	PCB 1254		
33.	Ethylbenzene	79.	Diethyl Phthalate	125.	PCB 1260		
34.	Methyl Bromide	80.	Dimethyl Phthalate	126.	Toxaphene		
35.	Methyl Chloride	81.	Di-n-Butyl Phthalate				
36.	Methylene Chloride	82.	2,4-Dinitrotoluene	1			
37.	1,1,2,2-Tetrachloroethane	83.	2-6-Dinitrotoluene	]			
38.	Tetrachloroethylene	84.	Di-n-Octyl Phthalate				
39.	Toluene	85.	1,2-Dipenylhydrazine	]			
40.	1,2-Trans-Dichloroethylene	86.	Fluoranthene	]			
41.	1,1,1-Trichloroethane	87.	Fluorene	]			
42.	1,1,2-Trichloroethane	88.	Hexachlorobenzene	]			
43.	Trichloroethylene	89.	Hexachlorobutadiene	]			
44.	Vinyl Chloride	90.	Hexachlorocyclopentadiene	Revise	d: 7/7/2000		

PF	PRACTICAL QUANTITATION LEVELS FOR COMPLIANCE DETERMINATION						
	CHOIL GOANTIA	RL	Analysis				
	Constituent	μg/l	Method				
1	Arsenic	7.5	GF/AA				
2	Barium	20	ICP/GFAA				
3	Cadmium	15	ICP				
4	Chromium (VI)	15.0	ICP				
5	Cobalt	10.0	GF/AA				
6	Copper	19.0	GF/ICP				
7	Cyanide	50.0	335.2/335.3				
8	Iron	100.0	ICP				
9	Lead	26.0	GF/AA				
10	Manganese	20.0	ICP				
11	Mercury	0.5	CV/AA				
12	Nickel	50.0	ICP				
13	Selenium	14.0	GF/HYDRIDE GENERATION				
14	Silver	16.0	ICP				
15	Zinc	20	ICP				
16	1,2 - Dichlorobenzene	5.0	601/602/624				
17	1,3 - Dichlorobenzene	5.0	601				
18	1,4 - Dichlorobenzene	5.0	601				
18	2,4 - Dichlorophenol	10.0	625/604				
20	4 - Chloro -3- methylphenol	10.0	625/604				
21	Aldrin	0.04	608				
22	Benzene	1.0	602/624				
23	Chlordane	0.30	608				
24	Chloroform	5.0	601/624				
25	DDT	0.10	608				
26	Dichloromethane	5.0	601/624				
27	Dieldrin	0.10	608				
28	Fluorantene	10.0	625/610				
29	Endosulfan	0.50	608				
30	Endrin	0.10	608				
31	Halomethanes	5.0	601/624				
32	Heptachlor	0.03	608				
33	Hepthachlor Epoxide	0.05	608				
34	Hexachlorobenzene	10.0	625				
35	Hexachlorocyclohexane						
	Alpha	0.03	608				
	Beta	0.03	608				
	Gamma	0.03	608				
36	PAH's	10.0	625/610				
37	PCB	1.0	608				
38	Pentachlorophenol	10.0	625/604				
39	Phenol	10.0	625/604				
40	TCDD Equivalent	0.05	8280				
41	Toluene	1.0	602/625				
42	Toxaphene	2.0	608				
43	Tributyltin	0.02	GC				
44	2,4,6-Trichlorophenol	10.0	625/604				